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MUSK PULLS PLUG ON $44-BN DEAL TO BUY OUT TWITTER

US billionaire Elon Musk blamed Twitter for failing to give him accurate information on fake accounts. Twitter immediately fired back saying it is committed to closing the transaction "on the price and terms agreed upon" and vowed to sue Musk. The dispute is likely to end up in a Delaware courtroom where both Twitter and Musk will try to prove that the other party has violated the terms of the $44 billion purchase deal agreed in May.

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SRI LANKA PLUNGES INTO CHAOS

Gotabaya flees, PM Ranil offers to step down; all-party meet names speaker as acting president

DILRUKSHI HANDUNNETTI
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SRI Lanka on Saturday plunged into an unprecedented crisis as President Gotabaya Rajapaksa reportedly fled the country before a sea of protesters stormed into his official residence demanding his resignation. Hours later, Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe — who also came under immense pressure to step down — tweeted that he is ready to quit.

In the emergency all-party meeting that followed, Lanka's political party leaders asked both Gotabaya and Ranil to step down immediately to pave the way for an interim administration until elections are held. It was also decided to appoint the Speaker of Parliament to act as President for 30 days and for the remaining period, to appoint a parliamentarian who commands the trust of the majority of legislators.

"Protesters have broken into the private residence of Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe and have set it on fire," said the Lankan Prime Minister's Office in a statement.

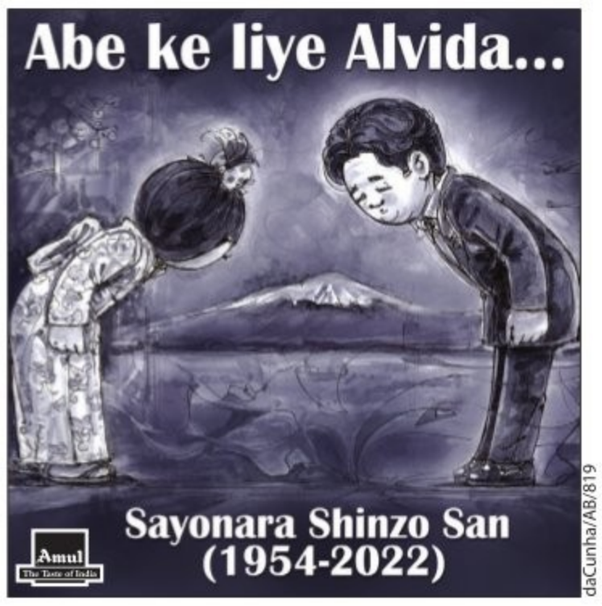
Earlier in the day, hundreds of thousands of angry protesters stormed into the president's official residence in central Colombo's high-security Fort area and into Temple Trees, the prime minister's official residence, in a show of power. Gotabaya, who was facing calls for resignation since March, was using the President's House as his residence and office since protesters came to occupy the entrance to his office early April.

Protesters demanding the resignation of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa storm the President's office in Colombo on Saturday | AFP

Protesters who climbed the walls of the President's House are now occupying it. As the government had taken measures not to distribute fuel on Friday to avoid greater mobilisation of protestors, people resorted to alternate modes of transport including trucks and bicycles to reach the protest venue. Attempts to disperse the crowds using force proved futile and 45 persons including seven security personnel were injured in the process.

According to reports, Gotabaya moved out of the house on Friday itself. While some claim he escaped to a foreign country, there is no confirmation about his current whereabouts.

Gotabaya has not yet officially announced his resignation, but Sri Lankan news portal Ada Derana reports that he has informed Speaker Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena that he would step down from the post on July 13. P11



Civil aviation ministry to babus: Work in pvt firms

SUMIT KUMAR SINGH @ New Delhi

EVER heard of government employees knocking on the doors of private firms to gain industry experience?

The Union civil aviation ministry is doing exactly that. In a bid to make its officers more proactive, progressive and tech-savvy, the Ministry of Civil Aviation has come up with a first-of-its kind proposal. They are being sent to private companies companies like Air Asia, Blue Dart, SpiceJet, Vistara and others for a week's training.

The Capacity Building Commission — constituted on April 1,2021 as the custodian of the civil services capacity building ecosystem — has "recommended officers of Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA), should alongside regular classroom training, get an immersive experience of the aviation industry, covering airlines, airports, ATC, cargo, ground handling, MRO, drones etc."

The officers from Joint Secretary-level to Assistant Section-officer will spend one week every six months in a private company to understand the industry's new technologies and the challenges. CONTINUED ON : P10

4.4 magnitude quake hits Vijayapura, Bagalkot dists

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@Bagalkot/Vijayapura/Belagavi

PEOPLE in parts of Bagalkot and Vijayapura woke up with a start as an earthquake of 4.4 magnitude, which was accompanied by a loud bang, hit the region early on Saturday morning.

The epicentre of the quake was located at the Kannur Gram Panchayat of Vijayapura taluk at a depth of 10 km, according to the Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC).

Tremors of low-intensity were felt in Basavana Bagewadi, Indi, Vijayapura city, Jamkhandi of Bagalkot district and up to Belagavi. CONTINUED ON : P7

EXPRESS READ

Maha gains as K'taka lacks raisin storage facilities

Bengaluru: Karnataka farmers are doing all the hard work, but it is Maharashtra that is boosting its brand and taking all the credit. This is because Karnataka lacks facilities to store raisins that are best in the country. Farmers from the grape belt of Vijayapura are forced to take their produce across the border that causes serious revenue and branding loss for Karnataka. Karnataka is the second-largest grape-growing state in the country | P4

Britain's Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, gives the Venus Rosewater Dish to Wimbledon champion Elena Rybakina after she defeated Ons Jabeur on Saturday. This is her maiden appearance in a major final | AFP | P13

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WEATHER

MIN 20°C | MAX 24°C

FORECAST
Light showers. Overcast

Sunrise	5.59 am
Sunset	6.50 pm
Moonrise	3.21 pm
Moonset	2.11 am

A woman practises yoga under the guidance of Sudha Patil

YOGA IN THE AIR

Residents of Papanashi have incorporated yoga in their lifestyle, earning the village the moniker Yoga Gram

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

RESIDENTS of Papanashi, a small village on the foothills of Kappatagudda – 10km from Gadag town on the Gadag-Mundargi Road, take their health rather seriously. Farmers complete their yoga routine on their fields before taking up the day's hard work, and other villagers ensure they practice their asanas twice a day, every day.

In fact, the village with a population of around 2,000 has earned itself the tag of 'Yoga Gram'. Rightly so, as 80 per cent of the villagers, who also have a good knowledge of medicinal plants, perform yoga regularly. Papanashi residents are also keen on using Ayurvedic plants to treat their various ailments, as they live near the hillock and know many natural remedies.

Yoga classes were first started in February 2020 by Ayurvedic doctor Ashok Mattikatti, but were interrupted by the March 2020 Covid lockdown. But the doctor convinced villagers to continue practising yoga on their farms following all the Covid-appropriate behaviour. After the lockdown, villagers completed and continued training under the doctor for free.

It was two years ago that Mattikatti first started training some children, women and senior citizens. Soon, other villagers joined. A teacher, Sudha Patil, approached the doctor with a request to learn yoga and teach it to other villagers. She was also appointed yoga teacher by the Ayush Department, which told her to take one class per week. But thanks to the villagers' intense interest, Sudha started teaching yoga twice a day. Earlier, it was difficult for them to gather at a place and learn yoga. Now they have formed groups of farmers, daily wagers and daily travellers who go out of the village, and perform yoga on fields, along major roads and at homes. Most of the children, aged 12 to 18, who learnt yoga, are now teaching the villagers different asanas. Children said when they started learning yoga, they felt good and active.

Initially, few parents said they had no time and gave other reasons. But when children forced them to try yoga twice a week, they agreed and are now addicted to their asanas.

"We wanted to learn yoga earlier... but would have had to travel to Gadag, and classes are held at 5.30 am. When we heard of free yoga classes in our own village, we decided to take it up. We do yoga regularly, and are proud that neighbouring villagers and others call Papanashi 'Yoga Halli' or 'Yoga Gram'," a resident said.

"We got a good response from Papanashi residents. Now we are training them twice a day... at 5.30 am and 5 pm. Children who came for training brought in friends, relatives and parents... Now, all villagers are practising yoga," Sudha said.

The International Yoga Day also had a role in spreading awareness. "After PM Narendra Modi introduced Yoga Day and spread awareness to the world, we used to have a yoga session on June 21. But now, most villagers have made it their daily routine, and many others join us on Sundays and holidays," Mattikatti said. Chaitra, a PU student, said, "We have been learning and practising yoga for the past two years. Some villagers asked us to teach yoga so we have started separate classes for senior citizens and women. We were surprised so many people are interested in it."

Only four tested positive for Covid-19

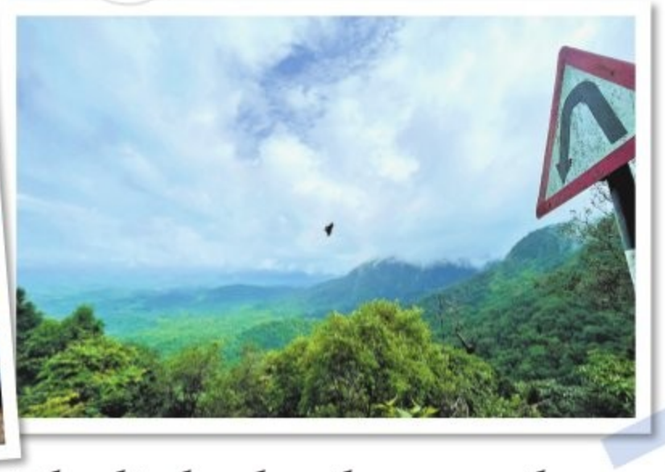
While effects of yoga on Covid are yet to be established, Papanashi reported only four Covid-19 infections since the beginning of the pandemic. Daily yoga boosted the villagers' well-being and confidence throughout the three waves, and many villagers claim they kept the pandemic at bay with yoga.

Ayush doctors also taught jala neti

Mattikatti also decided to teach jala neti, a type of nasal treatment which helps clean clogged nasal passages. This also got a good response. Many villagers practised it during the pandemic, and continue to do so. Mattikatti said that jala neti is also a part of yoga and is helpful in maintaining nasal hygiene by removing dirt and bacteria trapped along with mucus.

We have instructed officials to teach yoga in eight villages where we got good response in the district. But Papanashi is completely different from the rest. Yoga teacher's patience and passion to teach, villagers' interest and Ayush department staff's efforts have helped in turning the village into Yoga Gram

Mallikarjun Uppin, Gadag district Ayush officer



The little cloud comes down

A train pierces through the fog that has shrouded the meandering path of a bridge near Honnavar in Uttara Kannada. The Western Ghats come alive with its unbroken chain of mountain that touches Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu during monsoon. Numerous streams dot the region surrounded by waterfalls. The journey becomes enchanting with the beauty of nature, rain, and curved roads, far from the bustle of city. The coastal and Malnad region receive heavy rain as the Western Ghats act as a rain-barrier during south-west monsoon with many parts of Shivamogga, Chikkamagaluru, and Hassan district receiving heavy to very heavy rain since the onset of monsoon on June 1. A bird soars over the hills under thick forest blanket with clouds rolling on its slopes. Regular spells of rain amplify the serenity with cool breeze and the much-needed breath of fresh air. From June 1 to July 9, Karnataka has received 327mm of rainfall, an excess of 22 per cent from normal of 268.8mm, shows data from the India Meteorological Department. Rain in the Western Ghats have raised the water levels by three feet of the river Kali in Uttara Kannada district. Around 25 km from Honnavar, is the Murudeshwar beach, famous for the world's second tallest statue of Shiva, where tourists can enjoy a boat ride. From the beach, around 14 km away is the Bhatkal village, where a large number of people depend on agriculture. The Agumbe village in Shivamogga district, a three-hour drive from Honnavar, is an Unesco World Heritage site, nestled on the lap of the Western Ghats mountains and lush rainforest, known for its waterfalls | SHRIRAM BN

18 camels brought for slaughter sent back to Rajasthan

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

BROUGHT for illegal slaughtering during Bakrid, 18 camels were rescued from the Karnataka-Tamil Nadu border in Hosur were sent back to their original habitat in Rajasthan.

Despite the ban order on camel slaughter, transporting the animals continues unabated, animal activists said. A mafia brought the animals crossing by crossing different check posts.

Recently, a Madras high court judges Justices CJ Munishwar Nath Bhandari and M Mala directed the Tamil Nadu government to ensure that cows, camels and other animals are not transported or slaughtered against the provision of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act.

Based on the court order and armed with inputs and from activists, Animal Husbandry commissioner A Gnanasekaran, the Tamil Nadu government has sent a letter to the Superintendent of Police Krishnagiri District stating that hundreds of camels have entered Karnataka, and over two dozen are stocked in Hosur close to Bengaluru and asked them to check.

"Camels are banned from slaughtering and also from transport outside of their habitats. The mafia operating in the area has entered Maharashtra and then slipped into Belagavi. From there, the animals were brought to Tumakuru and reached Attibele on the outskirts of Bengaluru. It was then brought to Hosur to avoid getting caught and was supposed to be brought back to Bengaluru on Bakrid for slaughtering. The officials at every check post have failed to crack down on illegal animal transport. The animals were rescued 10 days ago and after a few days of sheltering, they were transported back to their original habitat," Sunil Dugar from Prani Daya Sangha said.

Dugar also stated when they informed some senior officials in Tamil Nadu, they said the animals may been brought for joy rides or for grazing. "The police had to be informed that transportation of such animals is a crime," stressed Dugar, and added that two of the people who were operating this illegal network escaped and a case has been filed in Tamil Nadu.

History in exhibition

Visitors at 'Malleswaram Parichaya' programme organised by BMS College, in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHRIRAM BN

ENS @ Bengaluru

MALLESWARAM MLA Ashwath Narayan said that efforts are being made to restore various works of historical significance in the constituency.

He was speaking at the BMS College of Architecture (BMSCA) exhibition, 'Malleswaram Parichaya', on Saturday, where he appreciated the efforts of the students to document the history of Malleswaram and said that attempts have been made to modernise the locality keeping in mind its historical significance. "Malleswaram is one of the oldest localities in Bengaluru, and it is an admirable effort by students to document its history," he said.

The college students had undertaken extensive documentation on the history of the locality to push for better urban planning to incorporate areas of historical relevance. They had attempted to study the cultural salience of Malleswaram and design solutions to preserve its legacy. "The documentation is not confined to academic work but exhibiting the work to public aims to spread awareness. The exhibition initiates conversation in the public," said BMSCA director, Dr Mamatha P Raj.

FESTIVE-READY

Ahead of Bakrid on Sunday, workers draw white lines at Quddus Saheb Eidgah on Miller's Road in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR.T

I-Day opening planned for Shivananda Circle steel bridge

MOHAMMED YACOOB @ Bengaluru

AFTER nearly five years, the much-awaited steel bridge project at Shivananda Circle is all set to open likely on August 15. The project was delayed due to a PIL by locals stating that there was no consultation, and termed it unnecessary. But the Supreme Court dismissed the petition in 2018 and the BBMP's work was gaining tempo and it is now nearing completion.

Speaking to TNSE Chief Engineer for BBMP project Lokesh M said the bridge length was supposes to be more than 550 m and after consultation with IISc experts, it was decided that the length would be 493 m. The ramp was reduced by to 35 m on both sides of the flyover as per the Indian Road Congress guidelines. "We want to open this flyover by August 15. If rains do not hamper work, then in the next 30 days the project will be completed," he added.

Work in progress at Shivananda Circle steel bridge which is likely to open on August 15, in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR.T

The project was initially commissioned at an estimated cost of Rs 14.48 crore and later it escalated to Rs 22.89 crore. The project now costs 39 crores. "If the BBMP had to extend the length of the flyover, then we would have gone for more land acquisition which would have escalated the cost further to more than Rs 40 crore," stated Lokesh. According to BBMP officials, once completed, the project would connect Majestic, Chalukya Circle, Malleshwaram and Vidhana Soudha easily without getting stuck at the Shivananda Circle signal.

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Karnataka State Emergency Operation Centre has received 57 calls from relatives of yatris who had gone in groups to Amarnath. Officials from Karnataka State Disaster Management Authority said while most of them were from Bengaluru Urban and Ramanagara, the others are from Bengaluru Rural, Chikkaballapura, Mysuru, Mandya, Shivamogga, Bagalkot, Dakshina Kannada, Bidar, Kalaburgi and Kolar districts

State speeds up projects to recharge groundwater

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WITH the depletion in groundwater level severely affecting farmers, the state government has taken up various lift irrigation projects, worth over Rs 2,000 crore, to fill up tanks and lakes in drought-hit districts.

As the underground water table has depleted below 1,000-1,200 ft in most districts, the government is expediting the projects to ensure that farmers can pump adequate water.

The first phase of the tank-filling project has been completed in Chamarajanagar district, and detailed project reports have been prepared for drought-hit Kollegal, Hanur and Gundlupet taluks. A project worth Rs 800 crore has been taken up to fill tanks in Tumakuru and Nelamangala from the Vrishabhavathi River.

On Saturday, Minor Irrigation Minister JC Madhu Swamy inspected lift irrigation projects in Erappana, Koppal and Midanapura near Mysuru. "Many tanks in Kolar and Chikkaballapur districts have been filled with treated water from KC Valley. In the second phase, more tanks will be filled," he said.

While seven lift irrigation projects in Belagavi have been completed, a few have been taken up in Dakshina Kannada district to fill up tanks and recharge groundwater.

The minister directed electricity supply companies to provide power to fill up major tanks from Midanapura that will be connected to other tanks.

MLA GT Deve Gowda said the government should commission more lift irrigation projects and cover 13 more tanks in Mysuru taluk.

Many tanks in Kolar and Chikkaballapur districts have been filled with treated water from KC Valley. In the second phase, more tanks will be filled

JC Madhu Swamy, Minor Irrigation Minister

Vice-President M Venkaiah Naidu, Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot and others during the 9th Annual Convocation & Decennial Celebration of Karnataka Sanskrit University held at Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru on Saturdayy | EXPRESS

MASS MOVEMENT FOR SANSKRIT

Vice-President Venkaiah Naidu said a mass movement must be launched to revive Sanskrit-learning. "We must make it a mass movement where all stakeholders should contribute to the re-discovery of India's rich classical literature and cultural heritage. We must preserve these linguistic treasures. There is such a rich history waiting to be discovered. Sanskrit helps us understand the soul of India," he said while speaking at the Karnataka Sanskrit University at the Raj Bhavan on Saturday. He said technology will help in learning and preserving Sanskrit. "During the pandemic, when everyone was working from home, we realised the importance of the communication revolution. The same technology can help us in learning new languages like Sanskrit online, in our leisure. Technology opens up new opportunities to preserve and propagate Sanskrit," he said. ENS

Secularism safe in India, says V-P

'It is in the blood of every Indian; Focus should be on culture and heritage, not on religion'

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ASSERTING that the spirit of secularism is safe in the country, Vice-President M Venkaiah Naidu on Saturday said, "People discuss secularism, but it is safe, not because of this government or that government, this party or that party. But because secularism is in the blood and veins of every individual. This has to be understood by one and all."

Speaking at the platinum jubilee celebrations of Mount Carmel Institutions in Bengaluru on Saturday, he stressed that other countries have no right to teach India about secularism, especially when many advanced nations have internal conflicts of their own.

"Some people have a mentality of denigrating others and deriving vicarious satisfaction. Every religion is great in its own way. What we have to focus is not religion, it is a personal way of worship. We should focus more on our culture and heritage," he said and urged everyone to take pride in their country, language and religion.

He also hit out at the Western media for "putting India in a negative light". "The Western media has a habit of carrying negative stories on India while ignoring its achievements," he said, acknowledging the country is burdened with several problems like poverty, gender disparities and social inequality. He, however, stressed that India has many accomplishments to be proud of.

"Ours is a great country; fortunately India is again on the move, and the world is now recognising and respecting India once again. Nobody can ignore us. India is the most tolerant country in the world, one can take it for granted. Show me any other country where such equal opportunities are given to all sections," he said.

He also expressed satisfaction with the National Education Policy-2020, stating that it is good that the policy gives importance to the mother tongue. "Learn as many languages as possible, but first learn the mother tongue. There is a perception that unless you have an English education, you cannot be successful. But, learning English is an additional strength," he said.

BAKRID: STATE POLICE ON THEIR TOES, HOLD PEACE MEETINGS

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

THE police have held station-level peace meetings with the public across the state over the past 72 hours to ensure that the celebration of Bakrid is incident free.

"I have instructed the police to hold meetings wherever necessary and to ensure that the festival is celebrated without any problems. Accordingly, the police have held such meetings," Home Minister Araga Jnanendra told *TNSE*.

The police across the state are extra vigilant as days leading to the festival have not been free of incidents. Especially after the communal flare-up at Kerur village in Vijaypura district, where three people sustained stab injuries during a clash between two groups.

Bengaluru Police Commissioner Prathap Reddy held a video conference with his officers on Saturday and gave them detailed instructions to ensure that communal incidents are tackled effectively.

As Bakrid involves animal sacrifice, social media posts on transport of animals may lead to a law and order situation. The police were given a detailed list of dos and don'ts to maintain peace and security.

"Police stations, inspectors concerned and assistant commissioners of police have also held meetings in Bengalulru to ensure that the festival is celebrated peacefully," Reddy said.

KR Puram Police Inspector HL Nandeesha took to social media to explain how the public need to keep the police informed.

During a meeting at his station, he explained to 40 people who attended how to ensure peace and not take the law into one's own hands. Jurisdictional MLA and Minister Byrati Basavraj has instructed the police to ensure that things do not go out of hand and ensure that peace is maintained.

KR Puram Police Inspector HL Nandeesha explains to residents on how to ensure peace during the Bakrid celebrations, in Bengaluru | EXPRESS

POLL BYTE

Siddu-DKS rivalry will split Cong: Kateel

Hassan: Congress will split into two factions before the 2023 Assembly elections because of the cold war between opposition leader Siddaramaiah and KPCC president DK Shivakumar, said BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel on Saturday. Coming down heavily against Siddaramaiah for his "baseless" statements against senior BJP leaders, Kateel said the opposition leader could have been in jail if the Congress government had given more teeth to the Lokayukta. "Congress destroyed the sanctity of the Lokayukta and Anti-Corruption Bureau," he added. Kateel called JDS a sinking boat. "The party is losing its base in Hassan, the home turf of JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda," he said. ENS

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'We have improved ease of doing business in state'

BANSY KALAPPA

EVEN as Karnataka has emerged as the number one destination for investments in the country, the state government is planning to raise Rs 5 lakh crore during the Global Investors Meet (GIM), which will be held in Bengaluru from November 2 to 4. Industries Minister **Murugesh Nirani** told *The New Sunday Express* that only investment proposals finalised after scrutiny will be accepted. "Even if certain enquiries do not finally translate into investments, it does not matter. We are confident we will do well," he said. Though GIM is still months away, investments have already started pouring in. Industries department authorities are proactively following up on expressions of interest and ensuring that they translate into investments. Some of the cumbersome processes have been simplified and done away with, he explained.

We are among the best states in the country. I would say we are at the very top... We have brought in many policy changes, right at the tax structure level

Murugesh Nirani

Can you realistically achieve the target of Rs 5 lakh crore during GIM?
For the past four quarters, Karnataka has done better than every other state and has received 42 per cent of all foreign direct investment in the country. The atmosphere here is extremely investment friendly.

What do you mean by investment-friendly atmosphere?
On the parameter of ease of doing business, Karnataka is ranked 17th in the country, which means 16 other states are ahead of us. We need to be the best and towards that end, we have made many big and small changes in the system to make the investment atmosphere more professional and to improve the ease of doing business.

We are among the best states in the country. I would say we are at the very top and these changes have helped. We have brought in many policy changes, right at the tax structure level. Many cumbersome processes have been simplified. Earlier, for example, there was a mandatory requirement of an occupancy certificate, which is not necessary now. We received feedback that it was too cumbersome. Under the new policy, a sale deed can be done for a 99-year lease. Many other smaller changes too have been brought in at the practical level. Whenever there is an expression of interest to invest, we proactively follow up and sort out any procedural issues case by case. We have a single-window system and if anyone gets a clearance, they can start the business immediately.

Industrialists say the ease of doing business is the best in Vietnam and some companies from Bengaluru have invested in the Southeast Asian country...
I have not matched the 'ease of doing business' parameters between Karnataka and Vietnam. I may not be in a position to answer that question.

What kind of investments has Karnataka received in the past weeks?
Remember the semiconductor project coming to Mysuru at an investment of Rs 23,000 crore and Renew Power at Rs 50,000 crore? Also, Petronas has committed to invest Rs 31,200 crore, Continental AG Rs 1,000 crore in Bengaluru, Lulu Rs 2,000 crore and many more.

After Davos, are there plans to tour other parts to raise investments?
Yes, we are working continuously to bring in investments. As soon as the presidential polls are over, our team will head to the US where we will go to different destinations over ten days. We will also go to Sweden, South Korea, Japan and Israel. In the country, we will tour important states like Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Delhi and others.

2-day BJP meet to boost its image on July 14, 15

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TO chalk out its game plan for the Assembly polls in Karnataka next year, the BJP state unit will kickstart a two-day brainstorming session -- Mission Dakshin – near Nandi Hills on the outskirts of Bengaluru on July 14. Last week, BJP held its National Executive in Hyderabad, Telangana.

BJP national president JP Nadda, General Secretary BL Santhosh, Karnataka in-charge Arun Singh, several Union ministers, members of the Karnataka Core Committee, ministers and others will take part in the summit.

BJP sources said as per an internal survey, the current atmosphere in the state is not conducive to the party. "Many issues in the past few months, like the hijab and textbook controversies, and the PSI recruitment scam among others, have dented the image of the Bommai government. On the other hand, state Congress leaders have been cornering the state government. Some of the ministers' performance is also not up to the mark," another source said.

There is also disappointment among party leaders over non-appointment of chairpersons for boards and corporations. "This is a tricky issue for the chief minister," the source said.

BJP plans to come up with strategies during the summit to address these issues and to increase people's trust in the party.

BJP state General Secretary N Ravi Kumar told TNSE that the party will have a series of brainstorming sessions on poll plans and strengthening the party base, among others.

Leaders, traditional dancers to greet Murmu in B'luru today

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NDA presidential candidate Droupadi Murmu is all set to receive a grand welcome when she arrives in Bengaluru on Sunday as part of her nationwide campaign.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel, BJP Scheduled Tribe Morcha leaders and around 200 women party workers are expected to receive the tribal leader at the HAL Airport around 3.30 pm.

The BJP held a series of meetings to plan a memorable visit for Murmu. About 20 groups of artistes from tribal communities from different parts of the state, including Ballari, Chitradurga, and Mysuru, have been roped in to perform, according to a source.

Murmu received a rousing welcome during her visit to other states, including the North East, and the state BJP also plans to do the same.

On her arrival, she will address the party legislators and MPs at a hotel in the city around 5 pm and will have dinner with them. Union ministers Pralhad Joshi and Kishen Reddy will also take part.

LONG WAY TO CATCH UP

Sour raisins: K'taka's hard work is M'rashtra's gain

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA farmers are doing all the hard work, but it is Maharashtra that is boosting its brand and taking all the credit. This, only because Karnataka lacks adequate facilities to store raisins that are best in the country. Farmers from the grape belt of Vijayapura are forced to take their produce across the border causing a loss of some serious revenue and branding for Karnataka.

Karnataka is the second-largest grape-growing state in the country after Maharashtra, while over 70 per cent of growers are from Vijayapura district. Cultivated in over 20,000 hectares, the annual grape production is around 5 lakh tonnes. Of this, 4 lakh tonnes are dried to make raisins, while the remaining is used to make wines.

MS Rudregowda, president, Vijayapura Grape Growers' Association, said four lakh tonnes of grapes yield one lakh tonne of raisins. But Karnataka does not have the facility to store such large quantities.

"Private and government-owned storage facilities can hold up to 25,000 kg. The remaining goes to Maharashtra, which has better facilities and the biggest market in the country. With branding by Maharashtra, raisins from Karnataka are exported to the Middle East, Singapore and other countries," he said.

Raisins from the state generate revenue of Rs 2,000 crore, of which over Rs 100 crore is paid as GST to Maharashtra. The neighbouring state also gains by way of APMC cess.

The Association is now demanding Rs 400 crore to build storage facilities. Horticulture Department sources said there is a proposal to give the funds to the Farmers Produce Organisation or farmer cooperatives. But local farmers are opposing any public-private partnership. In the first phase, the government is planning to set up a facility to hold 50,000 kg of raisins at Vijayapura, while Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai too has shown interest. Even if the project is started now, it will take over two years to complete, sources said.

Horticulture Minister Munirathna said his department too is proposing to set up a cold storage facility in Vijayapura. "I have asked officials to get details of raisins and grapes, the varieties and harvesting seasons. Once I get the details, we will discuss and take action."

A grape grower inspects his crop left in the sun to dry in Vijayapura | EXPRESS

Private and government-owned storage facilities can hold up to 25,000 kg. The remaining goes to Maharashtra, which has better facilities

MS Rudregowda, president, Vijayapura Grape Growers' Association

As many as 18 camels, which were brought for illegal slaughtering during Bakrid, have been rescued from the Karnataka-Tamil Nadu border in Hosur and sent back to their original habitat in Rajasthan

TRACKING COVID-19

DURATION OF PANDEMIC
2 YEARS, 123 DAYS

CASES REPORTED
Today: **989** | Yesterday: **1,037**

TALLY
Today: **39,78,079**
Yesterday: **39,77,090**

DEATHS	DISCHARGES
Today: **0**	Today: **802**
Yesterday: **1**	Yesterday: **984**

ACTIVE CASES
Today: **6,693**
Yesterday: **6,506**

POSITIVITY RATE	MORTALITY RATE
Today: **5.91%**	Today: **1.00%**
Yesterday: **5.91%**	Yesterday: **1.00%**

RECOVERY RATE
Today: **98.82%**
Yesterday: **98.82%**

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES
LAST 24 HOURS

Bengaluru Urban	**927**
Bengaluru Rural	**14**
Bagalkot	0
Ballari	4
Belagavi	3
Bidar	0
Chamarajanagar	0
Chikkaballapur	0
Chikkamagaluru	0
Chitradurga	1
Dakshina Kannada	21
Davanagere	0
Dharwad	8
Gadag	0
Hassan	3
Haveri	0
Kalaburagi	0
Kodagu	0
Kolar	0
Koppal	0
Mandya	1
Mysuru	0
Raichur	0
Ramanagara	0
Shivamogga	6
Tumakuru	0
Udupi	0
Uttara Kannada	1
Vijayapura	0
Yadgir	0

Man threatens IAS officer, nabbed

Miscreant, masquerading as PS of minister, tried to influence transfer of his relative, a driver

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AN man masquerading as the personal secretary (PS) to Excise Minister K Gopalaiah had threatened a senior IAS officer Munish Moudgil, husband of IPS officer D Roopa, trying to influence a transfer posting. The caller threatened that the IAS officer will be removed from his post if he failed to do what he asked for.

Munish Moudgil, Commissioner, Department of Survey, Settlement and Land Records brought the matter to the notice of Rame Gowda, the PS to Gopalaiah, and found the caller was an impostor.

The IAS officer filed a complaint with the Sampigehalli police, following which the caller Govindaraju, a relative of a driver, was arrested. The driver Anand was transferred by the IAS officer to Kolar over administrative reasons. On the day of the transfer, the accused called Moudgil questioning the transfer and threatened him to withdraw the order or he would be removed from the post. The accused is alleged to have shouted at the IAS officer. The accused was arrested based on call details records. The accused had called the officer from two different mobile numbers.

"The call came around 11 pm. When the actual PS called the accused, the latter still claimed that he was the minister's PS. The call was made to influence a transfer posting. I was threatened to be removed if I did not listen to him. I do not think these kind of things happen often and no PS dares to do this," Moudgil told TNIE.

Varsity says printing textbooks not its job

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DUE to delay in issuing syllabus and textbooks to Kannada undergraduate students, Bangalore University has put out a circular stating that they are not responsible for printing textbooks.

The university has said that it is the duty of the teachers to procure supplementary information in the syllabus from the library and websites, and create lesson plans and material as stipulated.

According to the circular, several meetings were conducted to formulate and finalise the syllabus. While professors and students had alleged that the syllabus had not been issued to them, the university countered that a PDF of the syllabus and outline had been sent via WhatsApp to the Kannada language teachers as early as May 27, following one of the meetings.

Following this, the university also stated that the practice of printing textbooks for the benefit of students was merely a tradition and not a right. According to the circular, the university has stated that there are no rules stipulating that the university must print and distribute textbooks, with only syllabus and summaries provided to the colleges. "It is a tradition in Bangalore University to print and send textbooks containing all information prepared by the editors in order to make it more convenient for the students. This measure is complimentary. It is not necessarily a responsibility and it is not right for some teachers to think that the textbooks are a right," the circular read.

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Bangalore University circular

WHEN IT RAINS...

An autorickshaw driver struggles to push his vehicle, which broke down, to the roadside in heavy rain in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHRIRAM BN

Delivery partner held for misbehaving with women

Bengaluru : Sadashivanagar police have arrested a food delivery executive for allegedly misbehaving with two women cyclist. The incident took place on July 3 and Gangadhar (22) a resident of Vaiyalikaval was nabbed. A senior police officer said that the accused noticed a group of women were going on their bicycles, and crashed into them before misbehaving. The victims had approached Sadashivanagar police station to file a case, and based on CCTV footage he was detained and handed over to judicial custody. **ENS**

STERN ACTION

No anticipatory bail to police constable: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court cancelled anticipatory bail granted to Fakirappa Hatti, a police constable, in connection to a case registered for allegedly subjecting a victim to sexual act by promising to marry her.

Justice HP Sandesh set aside the order passed by the trial court granting anticipatory bail to the accused, and directed the police to take him to the custody. The trial court had come to the conclusion that the sexual act was consensual.

The HC observed it is the foremost duty of the investigating officer to receive a complaint and register a case even if there is no jurisdiction and send it to the jurisdictional police station, which has not been done by the police. When the accused approached the trial court, he was granted bail on flimsy ground that it amounts to a consensual relationship which is unfortunate, the court observed.

In February 2022, the victim approached Mahadevapura police station, where the accused was working, to lodge a complaint but it was not registered. Later, she approached the Police Commissioner who also did not take action against the accused. She made another attempt by filing a complaint with the Deputy Commissioner of Police but to no avail.

She filed a private complaint before the Magistrate who referred the matter for investigation. Then the accused approached the trial court which granted him anticipatory bail. The complainant contended before the HC that the accused had violated conditions imposed while granting bail by threatening the prosecution witnesses and also her to withdraw the complaint. The accused had also lodged a complaint at Mahadevapura police station against the victim alleging that she was demanding Rs 10 lakh.

Plea rejected for appointment as chief engineer at Ram Janma Bhumi

Bengaluru: The Karnataka HC rejected a petition filed by 71-year-old retired chief engineer of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indore, seeking directions to the Union government to appoint him as chief engineer for three years at Sri Ram Janma Bhumi Theertha Kshethra. Justice SG Pandit observed that the petitioner has no right to seek any appointment as chief engineer at Sri Rama Janma Bhumi Theertha Kshethra which is not a 'state' under the ambit of Article 12 and rejected the plea filed by Dr SP Raghunath. After retiring, Raghunath was appointed on contract basis by the IIT for two years. Opposing the petition, Assistant Solicitor General contended that the petitioner has no right to seek any appointment that too at Rama Janma Bhumi Trust. **ENS**

Woman robbed of gold at knifepoint

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A MAN barged into the house of a woman in Gangammanagudi on Friday night when her family was away and threatened her with a knife to hand over gold jewels worth Rs 7 lakh.

Around 8 pm, Rihan (47) a resident of Abbigere, was walking towards the front gate. The accused was observing her movements, and as she walked inside, he followed her. He pushed her inside a room, tied her hands and legs with a rope, ransacked the house, and robbed the gold jewelleries. He locked her inside a room and fled the scene.

Around 10 pm, when her son, who runs a business, opened the door to find Rihan tied inside a room, and approached Gangammanagudi police to file a case. A special team has been formed to nab the accused.

In another incident, a 45-year-old astrologer was robbed of a gold chain and Rs 5 lakh cash by bike-borne miscreants in Kengeri on Friday night. Three men came on a bike and entered the house of Swamy Pramod upon finding the doors open. The gang threatened him against filing a case. Pramod filed a case with the Kengeri police.

CRIME PATROL

In a first, drug peddler's assets worth Rs 50 lakh seized

Bengaluru: In a first, Central Crime Branch confiscated eight acres of agricultural land and bank savings of a habitual drug peddler worth around Rs 50 lakh. G Mallesh, from Pushpapura village in Chamarajnagar, had purchased the land through the proceeds of his crime in the name of his wife and son. Active from 2014, seven NDPS cases have been registered against him in Bengaluru, Mysuru and Chamarajnagar districts. The accused sourced ganja from Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. Around 3 lakh cash in five bank accounts of his family members has also been seized. **ENS**

Four drug peddlers held in two separate incidents

Bengaluru : Four drug peddlers, including two Nigerians, have been arrested and MDMA and ganja worth Rs 8 lakh seized. In the first incident, KG Halli police seized MDMA crystals worth Rs 4 lakh from Nigerian nationals, Ebazee Justice alias Mola (31) and Samuel alias Sam Anthony (37). They are residents of HBR Layout. The prime accused is a musician who has a YouTube channel. In the second incident, Upparpet police have arrested Kiran (22) and Vijay (27), residents of Manjunath Nagar, and seized 5 kg of ganja. The duo were caught red-handed at KSRTC bus stand. **ENS**

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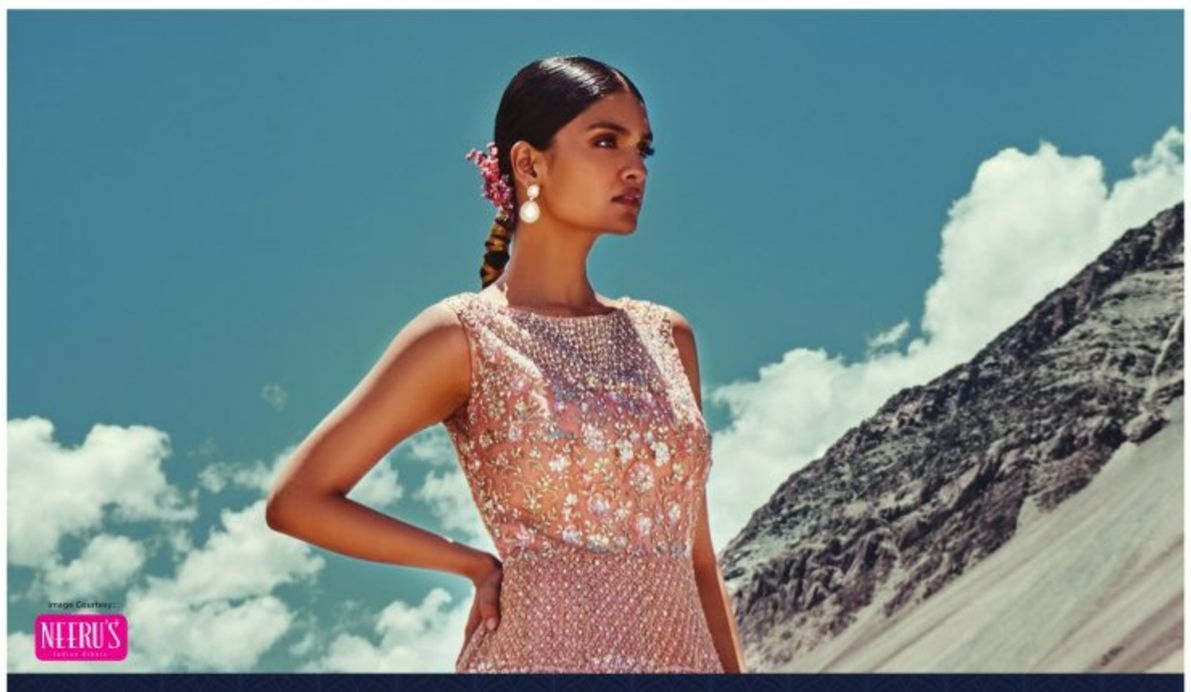

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5	SA Division	03.08.22	17.08.22	26.08.22	
6	TVC Division	04.08.22	22.08.22	29.08.22	
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SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	Branch Name : Branch Contact No : A/c Name : A/c No :	Description of the property	A) SARFAESI Details Possession B) Outstanding Amount in Rs.	A) Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount
1	Branch : City Branch (004100) **Mob : 9962022231** Sri. Dayananda K and Smt D Sree Shaila **A/C No.004100NC00151414**	All that piece and parcel of Residential Property bearing Site No.21, Sy/Katha No 1-2/3-1, situated at 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Marasandra layout, Subramanyapura Post, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore - 560061, Land measuring total area of 1770 Sqft. together with residential building in Ground, First and Second Floors having built up area of 2120 sq ft and property Bounded on :- **East by :** Site No.22, **West by :** Private property, **North by :** By Private Property and **South by** : Road. **Landmark :** Near Kishore Saga Apartment.	A) 13(2) 08.07.2016 13(4) 21.06.2017 **Physical** **B) Rs.1,61,73,096.00 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.96,00,000.00 B) Rs. 9,60,000.00 C) Rs. 50,000.00**
2	Branch : J P Nagar (159400) **Mob : 9962022231** C N Santhosh **A/C No.159400NC00004259, 1594009900001024**	Residential Building in 1st Floor, Property bearing PID No: 100-767-308, HIG House No. 308, RMV 2nd stage, 7th Main, 14th Cross, Bangalore, measuring constructed area of 3200 sq ft together with undivided share of land of 1000 sq ft, the property Bounded as : **East by :** BDA Property, **West by :** 7th Main Road, **North by :** 14th Cross Road and **South by :** BDA Property.	A) 13(2) 13.01.2017 13(4) 28.03.2017 **Symbolic** **B) Rs.1,73,03,220.00 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.2,31,75,000.00 B) Rs. 23,00,000.00 C) Rs. 2,00,000.00**
3	Branch : Tumkur (303200) **Mob : 9962022231** Mr. Chinna Rosaiah & Mrs. Rathnamma **A/C No.303200IB00015414, 303200NC00011236**	All the piece and parcel of Residential Property with superstructures constructed on Site No.16, bearing Municipal Khaneshumari No.2472/2457/16, situated at Ward-18, Thammaiyappa Layout, Subhashnagar, Nelamangala Taluk, Nelamangala Town, Bangalore Rural District. This Property belongs to Chinnarosaiah & Rathnamma, Measuring East to West : 40 feet and North to South : 28 feet, total measuring 1120 Sq.ft and Bounded as : **East by :** Property belonging to Ugrappa, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property belonging to Lakkanna and **South by :** Property belonging to N Narasimhaiah Alias Thammaiah.	A) 13(2) 17.04.2014 13(4) 24.06.2014 **Physical** **B) Rs.33,60,335.00 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.50,13,000.00 B) Rs. 5,00,000.00 C) Rs. 50,000.00**
4	Branch : Fraser Town (120200) **Mob : 9962022231** Siraj Ismail **A/C No.120200NC00010258**	Residential Flat No 3004, 3rd Floor **"Mayur Daffodills"** measuring super built up area of 1205 sq ft with one car parking space and UDS 482 Sqft In Sy No 119/3, S Medahalli Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore and Bounded on : **East By :** Land of Yellappa S/o Kivudappa, **West By :** Land Bearing Sy No.119/2, **North By :** Road Reaching to Handenahalli Village and **South By :** Land of Thyavakanahalli Balappa. **Landmark :** Near Indus International School.	A) 13(2) 18.09.2018 13(4) 18.07.2019 **Symbolic** **B) Rs.40,68,743.00 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.34,00,000.00 B) Rs. 3,40,000.00 C) Rs. 25,000.00**
5	Branch : Rajajinagar (408000) **Mob : 9962022231** Sandesh H **A/C No.408000NC00005332 & 4080009900000415**	All that part and parcel of RCC Roofed Independent House with built up area of 787.75 sqft bearing Municipal No.109, situated at Mallathahalli Bangalore Formally Site No.109, Khata No. 129 at Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North, Now comes under the administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP PID No : 129-129-109, measuring East to West 47+54/2 feet and North to South 12.5 + 37/2 feet, totally measuring 1003 Sq.ft. Bounded on : **East By :** Road, **West By :** 3 feet passage and Chandrashekar and M.H. Manjunath's Property, **North By :** Maranna's property and **South By :** Road. **Landmark :** Amebedkar College Junction.	A) 13(2) 14.07.2016 13(4) 26.12.2016 **Physical** **B) Rs.50,98,906.50 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**A) Rs.45,05,000.00 B) Rs. 4,50,000.00 C) Rs. 25,000.00**

Encumbrances : No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidders are requested to do their own Due Diligence.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION SALE : 1. The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (1) The auction sale will be "online through e-auction" portal **http://www.mstcecommerce.com. 2.** The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they are requested to upload requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days), the intending Bidders/ Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet before the e-auction Date and time in the portal. The registration, verification of KYC documents and transfer of EMD in wallet must be completed well in advance, before auction date. **3.** Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) amount as mentioned above shall be paid online through 3 mode i.e. NEFT/ Cash/ Transfer (After generation of Challan from (https:www.mstcecommerce.com) in bidders Global EMD Wallet. NEFT transfer can be done from any Scheduled Commercial Bank, however for Cash/ Transfer the bidder has to visit Punjab National Bank Branch. Payment of EMD by any other mode such as Cheques will not be accepted. Bidders, not depositing the required EMD online, will not be allowed to participate in the e-auction. The Earnest Money Deposited shall not bear any interest. **4.** Platform **(https:www.mstcecommerce.com)** for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider M/S MSTC Limited having its Registered office at 225-C, A.J.C. Bose Road, Kolkata700020 (contact Phone & Toll free Numbers 079-41072412/ 411/ 413 or 1800-103-5342). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider's website **https:www.mstcecommerce.com**. This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal. **5.** The Sale Notice containing the General Terms and Conditions of Sale is available / published in the following websites/ web page portal. **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app (3) http://www.mstcecommerce.com/. (4) www.pnbindia.in, 6.** The intending participants of e-auction may download free of cost, copies of the Sale Notice, Terms & Conditions of e-auction,Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction related to this eAuction from e -बिकरय IBAPI portal (https://www.ibapi.in). **7.** The intending Bidders / Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they will upload the requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days),the intending Bidders/Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet. Only after having sufficient EMD in his Wallet, the interested bidder will be able to bid on the date of e-auction. **8.** Bidder's Global Wallet should have sufficient balance (>=EMD amount) at the time of bidding. **9.** During the e-auction bidders will be allowed to offer higher bid in inter-se bidding over and above the last bid quoted and the minimum increase in the bid amount must be as **mentioned against each** properties to the last higher bid of the bidders. Ten minutes time will be allowed to bidders to quote successive higher bid and if no higher bid is offered by any bidder after the expiry of ten minutes to the last highest bid, the e-auction shall be closed. **10.** It is the responsibility of intending Bidder(s) to properly read the Sale Notice, Terms & conditions of e-auction, Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction and follow them strictly. **(1)** In case of any difficulty or need of assistance before or during e-Auction process may contact authorized representative of our e-Auction Service Provider (http://www.mstcecommerce.com/). Details of which are available on the e-Auction portal. **11.** After finalization of e-Auction by the Authorized Officer, only successful bidder will be informed by our above referred service provider through SMS/ email. (On mobile no/ email address given by them/ registered with the service provider). **12.** The secured asset will not be sold below the reserve price. **13.** The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% (twenty five percent) of the bid amount, less EMD amount deposited, on the same day or not later than the next working day and the remaining amount shall be paid within 15 days from the date of auction in the form of Banker's Cheque/ Demand Draft issued by a Scheduled Commercial Bank drawn in favour of "The Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank, A/c (Name of the A/C) Payable at Bangalore. In case of failure to deposit the amounts as above within the stipulated time, the amount deposited by successful bidder will be forfeited to the Bank and Authorized Officer shall have the liberty to conduct a fresh auction/ sale of the property & the defaulting bidder shall not have any claim over the forfeited amount and the property. **14.** Payment of sale consideration by the successful bidder to the bank will be subject to TDS under Section 194- 1A of Income Tax Act 1961 and TDS is to be made by the successful bidder only at the time of deposit of remaining 75 % of the bid amount/full deposit of BID amount. **15.** The Authorised Officer reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel/adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final. **16.** The sale certificate shall be issued in the favour of successful bidder on deposit of full bid amount as per the provisions of the act. **17.** The properties are being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and **"WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS". 18.** The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. **19.** It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the asset and specification before submitting the bid. The bidder inspect the property in consultation with the dealing official as per the details provided. **20.** All statutory dues/attendant charges/other dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser. **21. The Authorized Officer or the Bank shall not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrances, or any other dues to the Government or anyone else in respect of properties (E-Auctioned) not known to the bank. The Intending Bidder is advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, electricity dues etc. 22.** The bidder should ensure proper internet connectivity, power back-up etc. The Bank shall not be liable for any disruption due to internet failure, power failure or technical reasons or reasons/contingencies affecting the e-auctions. **23.** It is open to the Bank to appoint a representative and make self bid and participate in the auction. For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer **https://www.ibapi.in, https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app, http://www.mstcecommerce.com/, www.pnbindia.in.**

Place : Bangalore
Date : 08.07.2022

Sd/-
AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK (SECURED CREDITOR)

EAST COAST RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice No. ST-SBP-TENDER-2022-10, Dt. : 05.07.2022

NAME OF WORK : PROVISION OF INTEGRATED EMERGENCY RESPONSE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM) AT BARGARH, KESINGA & KANTABANJI STATIONS OF SAMBALPUR DIVISION IN EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Tender Value : ₹ 79,41,621/-, EMD : ₹ 1,58,800/-

Tender Closing Date and Time : At 1100 hrs. on 27.07.2022.

No manual offers sent by Post/ Courier/ Fax or in person accepted against such e-tenders. Even if these are submitted on firm's letter head and receipt in time. All such manual offers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected summarily without any consideration.

Complete information including e-tender documents of the above e-tender is available in website : **http://www.ireps.gov.in**

Note : The prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website 15 (fifteen) days before the date of closing of tender to note any changes / corrigenda issued for this tender.

Sr. Divl. Signal & Telecom Engineer (Tele), PR-277/N/22-23 Sambalpur

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public are hereby informed that my clients **M/s. SREE SUVARNA LAKSHMI BUILDERS,** A Partnership Firm having its Office at No.19, 3rd Floor, 11th Cross, Ittamadu, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085. **Represented by its Partners SRI.R.SUBRAMANI and SRI.YATHIRAJULU.K,** intending to develop the below mentioned schedule property under Joint Development Agreement with its owner **SRI.C.PRADEEP** S/o.Sri.J.Chandra Mouli.

Hence any person/s, company, Financial Institution, Firm etc, having any claim or objection for the proposed development or for entering Joint Development Agreement or having any right, title or interest in the Schedule Property may contact or should lodge such claim and objection in writing with supporting documents within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication, failing which it will be presumed that there are no valid claims charges and encumbrance whatsoever over the Schedule Property and my clients would proceed to complete the registration of Joint Development Agreement, any claim received/ Lodged thereafter will not be considered.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential Property bearing No.3/4 (Old Sy No.3/2) converted vide Conversion Order bearing No.B.DIS.ALN.SR(E)193/2004-05, dated 16.12.2004, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, situate at SADARAMANGALA VILLAGE, K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, in all measuring 0-11 Guntas or 11979 Sq.Ft., Presently comes under the limits of BBMP, and bearing New BBMP Municipal Katha Sl No.334, Sy No.3/4, 334/1, New BBMP Ward No.54-Hoodi Bangalore, and bounded on: East by : Remaining portion of same Sy No.3/4, West by : PWD Road, North by : Private Property, South by : Road.

A.M. Gajendra, Advocate,
Srinivasa Mandiram, 1st floor, Balepet main Road, Bangalore-560 053.
Mob: 9845562465
Bangalore Date: 09.07.2022

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(BELLARY THERMAL POWER STATION)

CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No:KPCL/2022-23/PS/WORK_INDENT12431/CALL-3 Dated: 05.07.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Two cover system) (Through e-procurement portal only)

Bids are invited from qualified agencies through e-Tender platform for the work of **"Lifting/Lowering, Cleaning (Desilting), Painting of Trash Rack Screen and providing & erection of floating barrier system at fore bay of Maralihalla Pump House".** The intending bidder can download the tender document from e-Procurement Website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of tender: 12.07.2022 upto 16:00 hrs. Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer (CAM-1) BTPS/KPCL,** Kudithini - 583 152. Bellary (Dist), Karnataka. Mob: 94482 90572.

Government of Karnataka

(PWD Division Raichur)

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION RAICHUR,

Telephone No. : 08532-225778 & 234747

E-PROCUREMENT SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION –(KW- 1,2, 3 & 4)

THESE WORKS ARE GENARAL, SC & ST CONTRACTORS

1) Notification No & Date : PWD/RDN/TS-4/TN/2021-22/1252 Date: 04-07-2022, 2) Name of work's : **Raichur District Total 41 work's** Raichur, Manvi, Deodurga, Lingasugur & Sindhanur taluk Different types of roads, Building and other development works. 3) Amount of works : Min Rs. 724138.39 Max Rs. 44192365.44, 4) EMD Amount : Min Rs. 7500.00, Max Rs. 663000.00, 5) Period (including Manson) : Min 3 (Three) Months Max 9 (Nine) Months, 6) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tender : 14/07/2022 16:00:00, 7) Date and Time for Opening of Tender : 15/07/2022 16:30:00

For More details visit this website https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PWD Division, RAICHUR.

DIP/Raichur/177/MC&A/2022-23

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department

Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its **Administrative Office** at **No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001** and one of the Branch Offices at **No. 58/1, 13th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleswaram, Bengaluru Rural - 560003** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) & (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice Dated **28-04-2022** calling upon the borrowers **No.1) M/s Anand Granites, At No.9/1, Magadi Main Road, Channenahalli, Bangalore - 562130. No.2) Mr. T. Munegowda, S/o. Thammannaiah, At No.79, Tavarekere Hobli, Channenahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka - 562130. Also at Mr. T. Munegowda, S/o. Thammannaiah, At No.79, Opp. to Jana Seva Vidhyakendra, Magadi Main Road, Channenahalli, Bangalore - 562130. No.3) Mrs. R. Manjula, W/o. T. Munegowda, At No.79, Tavarekere Hobli, Channenahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka - 562130. Also at Mrs. R. Manjula, W/o. T. Munegowda, At No.79, Opp. to Jana Seva Vidhyakendra, Magadi Main Road, Channenahalli, Bangalore - 562130. No.4) Mrs. T. Hanumakka, W/o. Thammannaiah, At No.79, Tavarekere Hobli, Channenahalli, Bengalore, Karnataka - 562130** to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice being **Rs.42,24,597/- (Rupees Forty Two Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety Seven only)** within **60 days** from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from **28-04-2022** with monthly rests.

The borrowers above named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers above named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the Property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this 07th day of July 2022.

The borrowers above named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd. for an amount of **Rs.43,32,508/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Eight only)** and interest thereon from **02-07-2022** till the repayment of entire dues.

The borrowers' attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A

Property - 1 : (Property Owned by Mrs. T. Hanumakka, W/o. Thammannaiah)

All the piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.4, Khatha No.1047 formed in Sy.No.91,92 and 94 Site bearing No.5, in Khatha No.1048 formed in Sy.Nos.91, 92 and 94 situated at Ullala Village, Yeswanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. Measuring : East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet, in all 2,400 sq.ft. and Bounded on : East by : Site bearing No.6 belonging to Smt. Thimmarajamma, West by : Site bearing No. 3 belonging to Smt. Thimmarajamma, North by : B.D.A Lay-out, South by : B.D.A. Road.

Place : Bangalore, Date : 07-07-2022 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN** - L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that, my client **Mrs.NASEEM BANU** Wife of late Nooruddin Mohammed, Age 63 years, R/at No.2073, Casa Paradiso Sobha City, Thanisandra Main Road, Near Hegde Nagar,Bangalore is willing to purchase theSchedule Property from its owner **Mr. GOVINDRAJU @ GOVINDA RAJ**

Any person having any right, title and interest in the Schedule Property other than its owner shall inform the undersigned along with all supporting documents establishing their claim within seven (7) days from the date of publication of this notice.

If no claim/objection is received within stipulated time, it will be understood that the Schedule Property is free from all encumbrances and my client would proceed further.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Sy no.107/1, old sy.no.70 of Chokkanahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, totally measuring 6 guntas and bounded on

East by : Jawaharlal Institute Compound
West by : 25 feet Road,
North by : Land belonging to Jawaharlal Institute
South by : Vijaya Kumar's Property

Bangalore, Date: 09-07-2022

NAVEED AHMED, Advocate
AHMED ASSOCIATES
No.19/19, 1st Floor, Miller Road, 1st Cross, Benson Town, Bangalore 560046
Ph: 9620245382, 9980283463, 9972247710
email: seenaveed@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our client/s intends to purchase immoveable property described in the **SCHEDULE** hereunder from its owner, **Mrs.PANKAJA RAMESH**, aged about 46 years, wife of Sri.Ramesh R., residing at No.1339, 20th Cross, 15th Main, A Block, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru – 560 092, for a lawful and valid consideration.

Any person / bank /society / firm / company / institutions or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within **10 (TEN) days** from the date of issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client/s shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever with regards to the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of residential property bearing **No.1339, Katha No.1005/1110/1339,** situated at 20th Cross, 15th Main, 'A'-Block, Sahakarnagar, BBMP Ward No.07, Bengaluru – 560 092, measuring East to West 30 feet, North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 square feet, **comprising of residential house** and bounded on the:-

East by : Road;
West by : Site No.1338;
North by : Road;
South by : Site No.1340.

G.S.Srinivas
AJS Advocates,
8, II Main, 9th Cross, Indiranagar I Stage, Benglauru-560 038. Mob.: 9845163155
Bengaluru Date:11/07/2022

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Sankaramangalam, Chavara - 691 583, Kollam, Kerala, India
Phone : +91-476- 2651215 to 2651217.
Fax : +91- 0476- 2680101, 2686721.
E-mail : contact@kmml.com, URL: www.kmml.com
CIN-U14109KL1972SGC002399

Competitive Tenders are invited for following. For more details please visit the E-Tendering Portal, https://etenders.kerala.gov.in or www.kmml.com

No	Tender ID	Items
1.	2022_KMML_497406_1	For the supply of Support Roller Assembly for Roaster and Calciner- 2Nos
2	2022_KMML_497094_1	For the supply of CS Pipe
3.	2022_KMML_498267_1	For the supply of 1 No. TATA make Tipper Lorry for The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd, Titanium Dioxide Pigment Unit, Chavara,Kollam, Kerala.
4.	2022_KMML_497335_1	For the supply of N-101 Scrubber for Roaster-2 Nos
Chavara 08.07.2022		sd/ -DGM(Mtls) For The Kerala Minerals And Metals Ltd
5.	2022_KMML_496833_1	HVAC for PCC-2 and U-200 MCC room of TP unit of KMML
Chavara 08.07.2022		Sd/- HOU(T)For The Kerala Minerals And Metals Ltd.

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UJVN Limited

H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, G.M.S. Road, Dehradun-248006
Telephones: 0135-2763808, Fax: 0135-2763508
CIN No.U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website:www.ujvnl.com

Letter No: 414 Date: 08/07/2022

E-Tender Time Extension Notice-5

Due to unavoidable circumstances the date of submission and opening of NIT No -NCB/16/EE(E&M)/MB-II/Barrage/2021-22:"Design, Manufacturing, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Trashrack panels & one no. Hydraulically Operated Movable Trash Rack Cleaning Machine (TRCM) to safely handle rake capacity of 2.0 Tonne as well as log grappler capacity of 2.0 Tonne including dismantling of existing Trash rack panels & TRCM at Joshiyara Barrage, Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand, India" is hereby extended as follows:-

Last Date/Time for receipt of bid in the portal - 04.08.2022 up to 16:00 Hrs.
Last Date of receipt of hard copy of bid - 08.08.2022 upto 11:00 hrs
Date of opening of bid on the website - 08.08.2022 at 11:30 Hrs.

Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from the e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in"**

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY" **Executive Engineer**

UJVN LIMITED

H.O.: "UJJWAL", Maharani Bagh, GMS Road, Dehradun-248006,
Telephone.: 0135-2763808 Fax- 0135- 2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvnl.com

Ref. No.: 412 **Dated : 08.07.2022**

E-TENDER NOTICE

The office of the Executive Engineer (E&M-SHP), UJVN Limited, Rishikesh, invites online bid from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below :

1. NIT No. 06/EE (E&M)/(SHP)/Rishikesh/2022-23

Name of Work/Supply/Services : "Sale of Electro-Mechanical items of Small Hydro Projects located in District Uttarkashi as is where is basis."

Date of availability of bid document on website :- 11.07.2022 from 16:00 Hrs

Last date for submission of bids on website :- 25.08.2022 up to 16:00 Hrs.

For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in"** **Executive Engineer (E&M-SHP), Rishikesh**

"Avoid Wasteful use of Electricity"

Chola CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Corporate Office: 1st Floor, 'Dare House', No.2, N.S.C. Bose Road, Chennai-600001.
Branch Address: Municipal No.45, (Old Nos.45 & 45/1), Second Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore-560027.

POSSESSION NOTICE [Under Rule 8 (1)]

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13[12] read with Rules 9 of the Security Interest [Enforcement] Rules, 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the properties mortgaged with the Company described herein below of the Columns on the respective dates mentioned in Column [E] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules made there under.

The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of **M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited** for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.

Under section 13 [8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

Sl. No. [A]	Name And Address of Borrower & Loan Account Number [B]	Date of Demand Notice [C]	Outstanding Amount [D]	Date of Possession [E]
1	**Loan Account No's: X0HEBAN00000938799 and X0HEBAN00001292096** 1) **Prakash.G,** No.12, Varansi, Jinkethimanahalli, T.C.Palya Post, Bangalore-560036. 2) **Srinivasa.G,** No.12, Varansi, Jinkethimanahalli T.C.Palya Post, Bangalore-560036.	07-06-2021	**Rs.42,35,703.30** as on 05.06.2021 and interest thereon.	07-07-2022 Physical

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the portion Property bearing No.12, Situated at Varanasi @ Jinkethimmanahalli Vilage Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore. Presently within the limits of BBMP **and bounded on: East by:** Remaining property of the Donor, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Rajakaluve, **South by:** Remaining property of the Donor. **Measuring:** East to West: 60+74 1/2ft & North to South: 38+64 1/2ft. Total measuring 3417Sq.ft. and along with building and the building constructed thereon Within the registration district of Bangalore and sub registration office.

Date: 10-07-2022 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore M/s. Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited

KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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NO: PCB/145/SEO/MINES/EPH/2022-23/2333 Date: 06-07-2022

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited has proposed to undertake Quarrying of Green Granite of capacity 4200 cum/annum over an area of 11-30 Hectares (as per EIA report) at Sy. No. 5 (P), Dumagere Village, Hassan Tehsil & District, Karnataka. The project proponent has to obtain Environmental Clearance from SEIAA, Government of Karnataka, as per the EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006 (as amended on 01.12.2009), and is required to go through Environmental Public Hearing. As per the SEIAA, Government of Karnataka, **Terms of Reference letter (ToR) No. SEIAA 145 MIN 2021 dated: 27.08.2021** and request of the project proponent letter dated 05.04.2022, the Environmental Public Hearing is being conducted by the Board.

The details of the project are as follows:

1. **Name of the Company & Address:** Karnataka State Mineral Corporation Limited (A Govt or Karnataka Undertaking),TTMC, 'A' Block, 5th Floor, BMTC Building, K H Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560027.
2. **Location of Proposed Plant: Sy. No. 5 (P), Dumagere Village, Hassan Tehsil & District, Karnataka.**
3. Details of proposed activity: **Quarrying of Green Granite of capacity 4200 cum/annum.**
4. **Pollution Control Measures proposed:** Regular sprinkling of water on haul and access roads. Regular maintenance of all equipment to minimize particulate matter and gaseous emissions from diesel engines. Plantation of thick green belt is provided around lease area boundary. The green belt will be provided within and around the plant to control fugitive emission.
5. **Date, time and venue of Environmental public hearing: 11.08.2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 AM at Sy. No. 5 (P), Dumagere Village, Hassan Tehsil & District, Karnataka.**
6. **Places of availability of project documents as per EIA Notification, which is kept open to public are:** (a) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District. (b) Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Hassan. (c) District Industries Centre, Hassan. (d) Taluk Panchayath, Hassan. (e) Tahsildar Office Hassan. (f) Village Panchayath Office, Dumagere. (g) Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Hassan. (h) SEIAA, Government of Karnataka, Room No. 706, 7th Floor, 4th Gate, MS Building, Bengaluru – 560 001. (i) **HELP DESK**, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No.49, Parisara Bhavan, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

NOTE: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site and likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification. They can also make oral/written/E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee (Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, Hassan). Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. For details please visit our Website: **kspcb.karnataka.gov.in**.

Sd/-
Member Secretary

MAOIST CAMP BUSTED During a joint operation, Special Operations Group, Central Reserve Police Force and District Voluntary Force busted a Maoist camp in Nuapada district of Odisha on Friday.

All Amarnath pilgrims from Karnataka safe

In touch with J&K and Union govts: Bommai

Kannadigas from the state who are in Amarnath Yatra are safe. There is no report of any untoward incidents related to Kannadigas. We are in contact with the J&K government and the Union government. Officials of Union government, BSF and ITBP are engaged in the rescue operations. The State Chief Secretary is in direct contact with the union government. Those in trouble could contact the helpline so that they could be rescued immediately

Basavaraj Bommai, K'taka Chief Minister

DETAILS OF HELPLINES

NDRF: 011-23438252, 011-23438253

Kashmir Divisional: 0194-2496240

Shrine Board: 0194-2313149

Police Control Room Anantnag: 9596777669, 9419051940, 01932225870, 01932222870

Joint Police Control Room Pahalgam: 9596779039, 9797796217, 01936243233, 01936243018

Resident Commissioner's Officer, Karnataka Bhavan, New Delhi: 011-24103701, 24103702 011-26115515, 26117666

Karnataka State Emergency Operation Center (to facilitate assistance through J&K Government) 080-1070, 22340676,

Email:revenuedmkar@gmail.com, seockarnataka@gmail.com

BOSKY KHANNA @ BENGALURU

"I have been going to Amarnath since 18 years. This is the first time I got stranded. The landslides had also not deterred our spirits earlier. This time even as there was no ice, as usual, the sudden heavy down pour created the havoc," recollects Chaitanya TS, a resident of Tavarekere, who is one of the 11 members who returned to Bengaluru late on Saturday night.

Chaitanya recollects: "There always used to be ice. This time the ice was less and the Kargil hill behind the Amarnath hill was also visible. As per the forecast, there was to be very heavy rainfall from 8-11 July. When we reached on July 5, after a discussion with Shrine Board officials, it was decided that from 3-5 am mules and dolis will pass by and then from 5.30 am onwards foot Yatris will go. We had returned back after darshan, but those who were enroute around 11am got stranded when there was a cloud burst."

With the help of rescue teams, they left by bus to Srinagar and took 4.30 pm flight on Saturday to reach Mumbai and reached Bengaluru at 11.30 pm. He said around 500 more people are stranded in Domal and Balta check posts.

He is one of the 350 Yatris from Karnataka who were stranded in Amarnath in the cloudburst on Friday.

Karnataka State Emergency Operation Center (SEOC) had received 57 calls from relatives of Yatris who had gone in groups to Amarnath. Officials from Karnataka State Disaster Management Authority said while most of them were from Bengaluru urban and Ramanagara, the others are from Bengaluru Rural, Chikkaballapura, Mysuru, Mandya, Shivamogga, Bagalkot, Dakshina Kannada, Bidar, Kalaburgi and Kolar districts.

On Saturday morning IAF deployed ALH Dhruv and Mi-17 helicopters to Amarnath Shrine site and AN-32 and IIyushin-76 transport aircrafts as standby in Chandigarh.

Umashankar, Principal Secretary, Revenue Department told *The New Sunday Express* that all those from Karnataka who had gone to Amarnath were contacted and were safe. There have been no casualties of Karnataka travelers. While some travelers are keen to continue their journey, some others are returning back and some others have shown interest to stay back and complete their shrine visit. The major problem which relatives and the department faced was contacting Yatris, due to network issues. Postpaid network works rather than prepaid.

A team of ten advocates from Mysuru who had gone to Amarnath were airlifted by the Indian Army helicopters to safer places in the region. They later travelled to Katra in Jammu and Kashmir, then to Amritsar before reaching Delhi. It is said that they fly to Bengaluru on Sunday and then to Mysuru.

Additional Deputy Commissioner of Kalaburagi Bhimashankar Teggalli told *TNSE* that 43 persons from Kalaburgi including the pontiff of Mutyan Babalad Mutt Shri Gurupadalinga Mahashivayogi Swamiji who went to Amarnath were rescued.

Bidar DC Govind Reddy said all nine pilgrims who had gone were safe and the government was working on bringing them back.

The house that collapsed killing a woman in Kalaburagi's Chittapur town on Friday night | EXPRESS

Rain fury spreads: 1 dead in house collapse in K'buragi

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI @ KALABURAGI

RAIN claimed the life of a 60-year-old woman at Chittapur town of Kalaburagi district late on Friday night. This is the first rain-related death reported in the district this monsoon season.

The victim has been identified as Arifa Begum who was sleeping in her house situated near Old Gunj area of Chittapur. She died after the roof of the house collapsed, sources told TNSE. Two other residents of the house Yasmin Begam and MD Ali sustained injuries and were rushed to a hospital in Chittapur.

According to sources, the Chittapur fire and emergency services personnel received a call about the house collapse at midnight, who rushed to the spot along with an ambulance.

President of Chittapur Town Municipality and other officials visited the spot and consoled the family members of the victim.

Chittapur Tahasildar Umakant Halle said that the next of kin of the deceased will get a compensation of Rs 5 lakh from the government. He said that four houses partially collapsed in Chittapur town, two in Tarkaspet and one house each in Kadabur and Kundanoor villages of Chittapur taluk in the rains.

Meanwhile the sources in the district administration told Express that in all 40 houses in Kalaburagi district were partially damaged due to incessant rains in the last 24 hours.

The government will provide a compensation of Rs 10,000 each as per the NFRF and SDRF norms, sources said.

Water gushes out of the KRS reservoir in Mandya district on Saturday

Water released from KRS, Kabini reservoirs

ENS @ Mysuru

WITH heavy rains lashing Kodagu district in Karnataka and Wayanad district in neighbouring Kerala, the irrigation department has released water to Tamil Nadu from both Kabini and KRS reservoirs.

With the Heamavathi achukat area witnessing heavy downpour, water level in the KRS has touched 122.5ft as against the maximum of 124.8 ft. With this, 13,511 cusecs of water was released from KRS on Saturday. Last year during the same period, the water level in the KRS was 88.96 ft.

Meanwhile, irrigation officials have released 1,000 cusecs of water from Kabini reservoir in H D Kote taluk following heavy rains in Kerala. With an inflow of 15,727 cusecs of water, the water level has risen to 2,281.33 ft as against the maximum capacity of 2,284 ft.

Haranagi reservoir in Kodagu is brimming with an inflow of 14,710 cusecs of water and a discharge of 14,100 cusecs.

RISING WATERS

Water levels rose from June 30 to July 7

- **In dams across state:** from 289.92 tmcft to 374.32 tmcft
- **Hydel reservoirs:** from 42.69 tmcft to 73.17 tmcft
- **Cauvery basin reservoirs:** from 69.82 tmcft to 90.91 tmcft
- **Krishna basin reservoirs:** 177.41tmcft to 210.24 tmcft

Water levels in major reservoirs (in tmcft)

	July 7	June 30	June 1
Hydel reservoirs	**73.17**	**42.69**	**51.33**
Linganamakki	38.38	21.31	24.99
Supa	29.10	19.21	24.07
Varahi	5.70	2.17	2.28
Cauvery dams	**90.91**	**69.82**	**63.93**
Harangi	6.85	6.87	5.93
Hemavathi	29.51	24.86	22.72
KRS	39.30	29.13	26.92
Kabini	15.25	8.96	8.36
Krishna dams	**210.24**	**177.41**	**165.72**
Bhadra	46.50	36.05	34.73
Tungabhadra	58.21	45.20	38.18
Ghataprabha	7.73	8.41	8.57
Malaprabha	12.50	11.66	11.41
Almatti	57.39	48.21	47.18
Narayanpura	27.92	27.88	25.65

Week of heavy rain fills up dams across K'taka

SHILPA P @ Bengaluru

WITH 94.1 per cent excess southwest monsoon showers in the State in just a week, all 13 major reservoirs have received bulk inflow of water, and their water levels have risen by 84.4 tmcft. Ever since the onset of the southwest monsoon on June 1, the State had received 21.7 per cent deficit rainfall through the month, and reservoir levels had risen by just 8.94 tmcft in the entire month.

From July 1 to 7, Karnataka received 94.1 per cent excess (112.6mm against 58mm) southwest monsoon showers -- 101 per cent excess rainfall (28.1mm against 14mm) in south interior Karnataka; 76 per cent excess (36.9mm against 21mm) in north interior Karnataka, 89 per cent excess (260.1mm against 137.8mm) in Malnad, 105 per cent excess (523.8mm against 255.3mm) in the coastal areas.

Ever since the onset of the southwest monsoon, from June 1 to 30, the State received 21.7 per cent deficit rainfall (156.1mm against 199.4mm) -- 82.6% excess (119.6mm against 65.5mm) in south interior Karnataka; 12.6 per cent deficit (90mm against 103mm) in north interior Karnataka; 47.8 per cent deficit (189.4mm against 363mm) in Malnad; 35.9 per cent deficit rainfall (533.3mm against 831.5mm) in the coastal region. In the entire month, water levels in reservoirs had increased by 8.94 tmcft (from 280.98 tmcft to 289.92 tmcft).

2 OF FAMILY KILLED IN WALL COLLAPSE IN ANDHRA

VIJAYAWADA: Two members of a family, including a minor boy, were killed and three others sustained injuries, when a wall collapsed on them following heavy downpour at Kumaram village in Garividi mandal, Vizianagaram district. The deceased were identified as Addala Laxmi (49) and Addala Harshit Varma (5).

Workers remove a fallen electricity pole in Vijayawada on Saturday

RAIN POUNDS HYDERABAD, OTHER DISTRICTS IN TELANGANA

HYDERABAD: Several parts of Hyderabad were flooded due to the heavy rains that lashed the city on Saturday. In the city limits, Borabanda recorded the highest rainfall of 31 mm, followed by Chandanagar (26.8 mm), Madhapur (21.8 mm) and Rajendranagar (19.8 mm). In Nizamabad, two cattle keepers were washed away by a strong current when they were crossing a local stream at Nemali Thanda Gutta in Lingi Thanda. Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao, meanwhile, has put the official machinery on alert. He has instructed Chief Secretary Somesh Kumar to alert all the departments concerned and to hold video conferences with district Collectors and also to alert NDRF and rescue teams in the flood prone areas.

It's official: Jagan lifetime prez of YSRC

ENS @ Guntur

ANDHRA Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy was unanimously elected as the lifetime president of Yuvajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party (YSRCP) on Saturday.

On the second day of the plenary in Guntur, an amendment was made to the party's constitution to enable Jagan as YSRC president for lifetime. The YSRC was established by Jagan in 2011 after parting ways with the Congress.

A total of 22 sets of nominations were filed on behalf of Jagan for the post of national president of the party and there were no other nominations. Jagan's mother YS Vijayamma, who resigned to the post of honorary president of the party on Friday, was also present.

AP CM YS Jagan Mohan Reddy and his mother YS Vijayamma during the party plenary in Guntur | EXPRESS

Before (right) and after pictures of the vertical plain stone wall on southern side of the Konark temple

Carvings to adorn plain stone slabs at Konark

DIANA SAHU @ Bhubaneswar

THE Sun temple at Konark, Odisha's only world heritage site, is set for a major facelift. The plain bland stone slabs that had become an integral feature of the temple structure due to the ASI's conservation works to protect the monument from crumbling will soon be a thing of the past as they are also being embellished with carvings and mouldings.

For the first time since conservation of the temple began over a century back, a pilot project has been initiated to decorate the plain stones and unify them with the exquisite design and scupltures of the monument. As a beginning, a stretch of the wall on the southern side of the Jagamohan has been replaced with khondalite stone carvings and mouldings to beautify the stone slabs on the monument. Work on the stretch started last year and would be completed within the next fortnight.

The project is being carried out by Archaeological Survey of India within the permitted limits of the revised National Policy for Conservation of Ancient Monuments, Archaeological Sites and Remains-2014. "The vertical stone slabs on the southern side of Jagamohan are being provided an outline. Geometric and floral patterns are being added along with stone mouldings. The decision on this was approved during the national consultation meet on Konark temple in 2019 which was held in the presence of the then Union Culture minister Prahlad Singh Patel," said ASI Superintending Archaeologist Arun Malik. The work has received the approval of DG ASI.

Malik said as per the revised conservation policy, while ASI cannot redo the broken sculptures, it can add carvings and mouldings to plain stones. This was not possible prior to 2014 as the old conservation policy that was framed in the 1920s mandated replacing the damaged portions of the monument with only plain slabs.

After the consultation meeting, the heritage conservation agency carried out intensive research work into ancient references, drawings, photographs, records and architectural remains of the Sun temple for reference for the pilot project. Besides, references of Kalinga style of temple architecture and Shilpa Shastras were taken into consideration for the work.

Ex-ISRO chief: For us to live, we should protect environment

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

FORMER ISRO director AS Kiran Kumar has said that if humans have to survive then everyone must make an effort to protect the environment and promote sustainable development.

He was speaking after inaugurating the Science Expo-2022 organised by Sadvidya Semi-Residential Pre-University College and Mysuru Science Foundation here on Saturday. Kumar said that the development must not cause permanent damage to the planet.

"Human population is predicted to reach 9 billion in a few years. We have to think of producing enough food and energy. We are facing climate change using plastics and fertilizers excessively. In the name of development, we are creating new problems and for the problems we have to find new solutions. So everyone must know the problems and work to protect the environment," he said.

Stating that every individual is born with a scientist hidden inside him, Kumar said that only when the individual connects himself to the surroundings can he or she bring the scientific character out.

Quake moderate, no need to panic: Official

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KSNDMC officials said, "The intensity observed is moderate and the tremor might have been felt up to a radial distance of 30-40 km from the epicentre. Such an earthquake does not create any harm to the local community as it is moderate, though vibrations might be felt locally. The people need not panic. The epicentre falls in seismic zone-III."

Manjunath Patil, a resident of Jala Nagar, said, "I was still in bed when I felt the earth mildly shaking. I heard a strange loud sound which was like something heavy falling to the ground. I rushed out of the house with all our family members. We are experiencing such mild tremors over the last two years."

The tremors were also felt at Shirahatti village of Athani taluk in Belagavi district.

In the last two years, at least 18 earthquakes, in the range of 1.2 to 4.4 magnitude, have been recorded in the region. Saturday's tremor of 4.4 magnitude isthe highest. Though there has been no damage, these tremors have set off panic among people.

The assistant commissioner of Indi and tahsildars of Basavana Bagewadi and Vijayapura visited many villages and localities in the city and interacted with people.

They also inspected areas to find out if any damage had occurred, but there was none, the district administration said.

EXPRESS READ

TTD to resume Divya Darshanam soon

TIRUPATI: Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams will resume Divya Darshanam, stopped after the Covid-19 spread, for pilgrims arriving on foot after the summer vacation rush, TTD Executive Officer AV Dharma Reddy said on Saturday. All Vahana Sevas along Four Mada Streets, too, would resume after a two-year break during the Brahmotsavams. Srivari Salakatla Brahmotsavams will be held from September 27 to October 5.

BJD: Support to Murmu based on principles

BHUBANESWAR: BJD on Saturday said the party's support for the NDA Presidential candidate Droupadi Murmu is based on three principles and called upon Congress to do so in larger interest of Odisha. BJD support to Murmu is based on the fact that she is the 'daughter of the soil' besides being the first tribal to be nominated as candidate. Also, supporting her will help BJD in further strengthening its cause of women's empowerment, the party said.

"Peace is liberty in tranquility." Marcus Tullius Cicero

RUPEE'S YOYO CALLS FOR NEW PLAYBOOK

THE THIRD EYE

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This week the Indian currency touched a new low – the value of a US dollar is ₹79.25. And the forecasts place the price of a dollar at around ₹82 before the end of the year. Characteristically, social media is replete with memes caricaturing the currency and its management. Dark humour apparently mitigates the pain felt across the political economy. Politicos and celebs are being trolled with social media posts from the past. One meme which has been viral on WhatsApp deploys a Bollywood song using symbols of the US dollar and the Indian rupee - *$un rahahainatu, ₹o rahahoon main!*

The value of a currency has the potent power to trigger national pride or dismay. 1991, 1997, 2002, 2008, and 2013 are all milestones of local dismay and global doubts – crises triggered by a combination of endogenous and exogenous factors. Bimal Jalan, a former Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, who steered policy in the late nineties, once observed that every economic crisis in India is effectively a balance of payments crisis. Every five to seven years India finds the rupee yoyo-ing from one low to another. The term BoP, shorthand for the balance of payments, is a rather drab acronym for a condition which rouses emotions and even outrage. A nation's BoP, shorn of the algebraic impact of macro fundamentals, is essentially the balance between foreign currency obligations and earnings. India which is a net importer balances the gap between its export earnings and import payments with inflows from foreign direct investment, foreign portfolio investment and the ever-reliable flow of remittances by Indians abroad.

The sum of pieces' balance stands ruptured. There is an array of global factors. The end of the easy-money regime in the US triggered the flight to safety. In the first six months of the year, foreign portfolio investors have sold equity and debt worth over $30 billion or roughly ₹2.9 lakh crore. Russia's invasion of Ukraine upended the equilibrium of supply and demand in food and energy markets.

India imports around 82 per cent of its energy requirement – the price of crude has shot up from $75 per barrel to over $100 per barrel and that of coal has doubled from $240 per tonne on February 25 to $412 per tonne. Exports are growing but realisations are lower than the rising cost of imports – going by the gap of $25.6 billion in June analysts estimate the trade deficit could well shoot over three per cent of GDP. There is no disputing the global factors. What is perplexing is policy procrastination. This column had underlined the end of easy money in December when US Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell had 'retired' the phraseology of 'transitory inflation'. It would have been clear that interest rate hikes depleting the interest rate differential and quantitative tightening would follow laying the path for the erosion of the competitive edge. Yet the RBI did not find it necessary to raise rates till April.

On July 1 the government announced a windfall tax on oil producers and hiked levies on the import of gold. The steps are necessary but did the course correction have to wait so long. This week the RBI in an attempt to shore up confidence in the currency announced raising the investment cap for FPIs in debt markets and hiked the permissible limits on external borrowings for Indian corporates besides new norms to enable banks to raise deposits from NRIs. For sure the steps signal attention. However, the million-dollar question is would FPIs find it attractive to invest in Indian debt as the currency slides and as interest rates are hiked across the world. Would corporations raise external debt when the currency is expected to depreciate? Even as the market deliberates and debates the moot point is: Did the RBI have to wait till July to initiate the steps to shore up the rupee when the implication of global rate hikes was a known known. What possibly could have been the negative impact of moving earlier. It is argued that 2022 is unlike 2013. For sure the 2013 crisis was compounded by political paralysis. That said the macro fundamentals – the debt level, the fiscal and current account deficits – do merit attention. It is true that forex reserves are higher at around $600 billion. Equally the magnitude could be better deployed, and leveraged to advantage. The fact that other currencies have fared worse is no consolation given the spectre of perils.

As of Friday, it is clear that the next US Fed hike will be 75 basis points and the US Fed rate could well cross 3.5 per cent by 2023. As rates rise growth will stall. The narrative has shifted from stagnation to recession. This will impact capital flows into emerging markets and global trade. Yes, India is expected to grow the fastest but that is an estimation corralled by caveats. This calls for scenario modelling for an array of options.

What is troublesome is that the approach in 2022 seems just as reactive as in earlier years even though the economy has evolved in scale and complexity. Insufficiency of attention and inadequacy of strategy has economic and political consequences. An economy approaching the five trillion GDP mark and positioned to be the third-largest in a decade needs a modern playbook aligned to its aspirations. India can do better.

POLITICS HARMING JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE

POWER & POLITICS

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"The accumulation of all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary, in the same hands, whether of one, a few, or many, and whether hereditary, self appointed, or elective, may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny."
-James Madison, the third President of the United States of America

Activism aggravates, activism ameliorates. Almost four centuries have passed, but Madison's concern is reflected in the tempestuous tides of our democracy. All three above mentioned institutions are wrestling over power at the cost of the other. The judiciary is the current whipping boy of the establishment and the public. As poisonous polarisation spreads across large swathes of India, judges are facing the backlash. Under the Constitutional separation of powers, the court is expected to be an effective check on the misuse of power by its two sister institutions. Over the years, the executive and the legislature have become existential threats to judicial independence. Every verdict is seen and analysed through coloured glasses. While over 40 million cases languish in the massive maze of court bureaucracy, a few have become measuring tools to assess judicial integrity and impartiality. For the past few weeks, the nation is ventilating and hyperventilating over remarks made by a Supreme Court bench while dismissing a petition filed by the emotionally blasphemous Nupur Sharma. She is facing umpteen complaints in various states for her offensive remarks against Prophet Mohammed. Justices Surya Kant and JB Pardiwala blasted her, "the petition smacks of her arrogance that the magistrates of the country are too small for her". Justice Kant lambasted the news channel, "What was the TV debate for? Only [to] fan an agenda? Why did they choose a sub judice topic (the Gyanvapi mosque case) ... This lady is single-handedly responsible for what is happening in the country... She should apologise to the whole country." Within moments, the judges were viciously trolled by Nupur's cheerleaders.

This is not the first time Indian judges have harshly chastised a petitioner's conduct. However, the current retaliatory assault on the two judges was iniquitous. Within a few hours, a statement supposedly signed by 115 prominent retired public figures like former judges, bureaucrats and armed forces officials surfaced in the form of a letter to Chief Justice N.V. Ramana. It read, "By no stretch, these observations, which are not part of the judicial order, can be sanctified on the plank of judicial propriety and fairness...Such outrageous transgressions are without parallel in the annals of Judiciary." Twitter and Facebook were flooded by abrasive adjectives questioning the judges' conduct. Though nobody in the ruling establishment criticised the judges, the colour of the outrage was definitely saffron. Ironically, the critics conveniently forgot that the same Supreme Court had earlier facilitated the installation of the Eknath Shinde-Devendra Fadnavis government in Maharashtra by refusing to stay the vote of confidence. Justice Pardiwala didn't take it lying down. Castigating trials by media, he lamented that judges have to think "... about what the media thinks instead of what the law thinks". The crux of his observation was that social and digital media have become political pastures to water personal opinions against judges, rather than field constructive critical appraisals of their judgments. "This is what is harming the judicial institution and lowering its dignity." Pardiwala echoed Chief Justice Ramana's views during his US visit earlier this month—

"As we celebrate 75th year of Independence this year and as our Republic turned 72, with some sense of regret I must add here that we still haven't learnt to appreciate wholly the roles and responsibilities assigned by the Constitution to each of the Institutions...the party in power believes that every governmental action is entitled to judicial endorsement. The parties in Opposition expect the judiciary to advance their political positions and causes. This flawed thinking of all hues flourishes in the absence of proper understanding among people about the Constitution and the functioning of the democratic institutions... Let me make it clear. We are answerable to the Constitution and Constitution alone." Unfortunately, the tendency to redefine the colour, tone and spirit of the Constitution is culminating in tarring the verdicts in red, green or saffron. It seems as if India has two Constitutions. One for those who get favourable judicial munificence and another for those who are denied the same privileges.

The conflicting interpretation of the Constitution and laws by various courts including the Supreme Court has caused immense harm to the judiciary's reputation. Judicial conduct has not always been blameless. Some justices play to the gallery or vent using words, not wisdom. Their ideologically driven judicial activism is seen as excessive loyalty to the party in power. For example, AltNews co-founder Mohammed Zubair was jailed for his 2018 tweet but Nupur and her fellow travellers remain free. The national narrative revolves around the conduct of only these two individuals. India's institutional resilience is under scrutiny. The international media is attacking our democracy for curbing freedom of expression and silencing establishment critics.

The political glossing of judicial verdicts started after the Gujarat riots. From Gujarat to SC, judges were passing orders against Narendra Modi who was then the Chief Minister. The Supreme Court started the practice of appointing SITs, and transferred criminal cases against Amit Shah from Gujarat to Maharashtra, thereby signalling distrust in the local police and the lower judiciary. The Indian judiciary controls the appointment of judges. It selects heads of semi judicial bodies. But it is the government that gives approval. Until February 2021, 70 of 100 retired SC judges had accepted government jobs after retirement. A few got governorships or Rajya Sabha nominations as rewards for their services. The late lawyer and politician Arun Jaitley had castigated the judges' power lust—"There are two kinds of judges - those who know the law and those who know the Law Minister...We are the only country in the world where judges appoint judges...even though there is retirement age, judges are not willing to retire... Pre-retirement judgements are influenced by post-retirement jobs." It is another matter that a maximum number of post retirement crumbs have been given to the retired judges under the NDA regimes.

The current assertiveness of the Indian judiciary is being met with equally strong reactions from the executive by invoking its mandate. Another US president Thomas Jefferson had noted, *"A judiciary independent of a king or executive alone, is a good thing; but independence of the will of the nation is a solecism, at least in a republican government."* This unwritten code of the Indira Gandhi regime is the algorithm of Modi Sarkar today. As the saying goes, 'judge a man by his questions, not answers'. Today, the answers to questions about judicial independence are not always forthcoming.

NEW ART: HICCUPS IN THEORY AND PRACTICE

OPINION

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Delhi-based artist Vivan Sundaram is among the most famous figures in Indian modern and contemporary art. His installation titled, "Black Gold", thematises the ancient port city known as Muziris which disappeared after a massive flood in the Periyar river in 1341. The artist seeks to rekindle the memory of the city as an "imaginary habitation". His imagination took the shape of an art installation in Aspinwall House, Kochi in 2012. The site offers an understanding of the deep-seated contradictions in the new-media practices of art in India.

The work spreads across an area of around 10 × 5m with a height of 1½ ft.; it is made of around 20,000 small terracotta shards and broken pieces of red and grey bricks. Though nothing is conspicuously identifiable, there are slight suggestions of rocks, hillocks, man-made but broken structures of dubious nature, meandering pavements and so on. Their meticulous rendering in miniature is really admirable and visually engaging. But how far the visual text of this "imaginary habitation" helps us imagine the historical city ravaged by flood is the point to be probed.

The artist takes immeasurable creative freedom to transport the port-city from the historically real to the "imaginary habitation". However, his installation fails to unfold a world in which an ancient city breathed its life. No memory is recalled and no history is re-told either of the glory of an ancient port washed away in floods or about the ancient civilization that is believed to have flourished in and around the city.

Vivan's "imaginary habitation", on the contrary, is characterised by the profound absence of habitation. The artist is the best person to talk about his site-specific art: "What interested me was the relationship between growth and development. I was also interested in the idea of the fragment because the fragment is the accumulation of material" (The Hindu, 21-12-2016). These views do not offer an insight into the given work; they appear to be oblivious to the work as much as his words themselves.

The Black Golden Muziris also includes a three-minute digital video projection. The projection falls from the ceiling vertically on the floor close to the viewer. During the filming, a camera was held far above the eye-level to capture the pottery shards 'flooding 'city' to leave it under water. And later, 15 kg of peppercorns were spread over the water to create "a strange, mysterious landscape like, maybe, the moon", says Vivan. The video image shows the floating black gold strewn over the water flowing in slow-motion. What is paradoxical here is that through imagination, the history or the memory of a city submerged in water, unfortunately, falls into the illusion of a "strange, mysterious landscape". It is here, nowhere else, that his words and acts converge into a rare musical harmony but against his own volition. Consequently, the reconstructable historicity of Muziris has been completely wiped off in favour of visual pleasure that stems out of a disoriented imagination, which may aptly be termed as "memory against history", to borrow Andrea Huysans' phrase.

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As one of the leading artists who in the early 90s introduced installation to the Indian art scene, Vivan Sundaram does not believe in the cult of the artist. It can be perceived how his earlier installations de-materialise the art object forcefully to resist the commodification of art within the institutional framework of art practice. The installation on Muziris belongs to the same fold.

QUOTE CORNER

Our country faces huge challenges, the most serious for a generation. And the decisions we make today will decide whether the next generation of British people will also have the chance of a better future.

Rishi Sunak, Former Chancellor of the Exchequer, UK

...(military and police) to grant peaceful protesters the space and security to do so (protest). Chaos and force will not fix the economy or bring the political stability that Sri Lankans need right now.

Julie Chung, US Ambassador to Sri Lanka

A patient, experiencing life-threatening miscarriage, but the doctor is going to be concerned about being criminalised for treating her they call the lawyer, who's concerned the hospital will be penalised if the doctor provides the life-saving care. I don't care what your position is, it's outrageous and dangerous."

Joe Biden, US President

MAILBAG WRITE TO letters@newindianexpress.com

Public service

South Indians are quite happy to see that four of their legends are nominated to Rajya Sabha. The government wants to spread its wings in South India. But in the past, the attendance and participation of film stars and sports persons in the House was not that encouraging. Let us hope the new entrants may do justice to the good opportunity they have as public representatives.

K L Rao, Visakhapatnam

Saving forests

Reckless and indiscreet felling of trees often takes place in Indian forests. However, it is heartening to note that an Odia woman named Sarojini Mohanta has a forest named after her. It is known as 'Sarojini Vana'. It exemplifies her striving and unflinching desire for the conservation of the forest in Bonai forest division in Odisha. Sarojini lives by example and has shown how a single woman could turn four acres of barren land lush-green in just two years through sheer dedication and a positive human approach towards the nature

R Sivakumar, Chennai

Edu reform & NEP

The write-up on 'Pedagogy is the Bane of our education system' (July 9) is very optimistic. Even after a lot of development in pedagogy, still it is the teacher who is active in the classroom and the learners are passive. I remember to have read that if Hippocrates suddenly materialises and visits today's hospitals he will be amazed at the technological developments in medicine and the health care system. At the same time if Socrates visits the classrooms he will be perfectly at ease with himself because there are no visible changes. The NEP clearly states how teaching has to be. Experience has shown that making instruction participatory, informal and conversational enthuses even least-motivated learners. At every stage of developing the lesson all the learners should be involved.

Dr P Prema, Thanjavur

Chinese loot via Vivo?

Vivo, which for a while served as IPL's primary sponsor, sent more than ₹63,000 crore to China without authorization in order to evade paying taxes. The ED now has seized its ₹465 crore worth of properties. However, who is to blame? ED or the BCCI must take decisive action. Why does the Indian government remain silent when businesses like Vivo not only secretly send money to China but also receive sponsorship of one of the most lucrative sporting events in the world?

Prasanna Venkatapur, Hyderabad

RIP Abe

The assassination of the former Japanese Prime Minister, Shinzo Abe, is really shocking. With his untimely death, India has lost a great friend. May his soul rest in peace.

V K Kumar, Thiruvananthapuram

No amnesty for amnesty

Amnesty International and its Indian offices have been in the central government's crosshairs ever since the NGO aired its views on human rights violations in the country and the government has been gunning for Amnesty and its then boss Aakar Patel. (ED slaps ₹52 cr fine on Amnesty, ₹10 cr on Aakar). Now a hefty fine has been imposed on Amnesty and Aakar for FEMA violations. Incidentally columnist and author Aakar, a known Modi baiter has debunked all theories highlighting Modi government's achievements in his latest book which might again have ruffled feathers in high places.

C V Aravind, Bengaluru

School walls to have eyes

The idea of installing classroom surveillance system has its pros and cons. While it enhances the safety and security of students as well as the staff, it can also be misused by perverts to spy their victims. Certainly, it would bring in more order, discipline, punctuality, and regularity in our institutions but can also them off their sense of cherished homeliness and spontaneous creativity.

Charis Xavier, Kottayam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Priyanka Gandhi @priyankagandhi
There are blisters on the feet of the youth stirring for appointment in SSC-GD 2018. But, government recruitments have been locked.

Yashwant Sinha @YashwantSinha
I firmly believe statehood of J&K should be restored and free & fair elections to the Assembly should be held at the earliest.

Subramanian Swamy @Swamy39
The only country in the world where social media is expressing happiness on Abe assassination is in China. Why?

Vice-President polls: The drill begins

DROUPADI MURMU YASHWANT SINHA

While the presidential nominees of the NDA and the Opposition, Droupadi Murmu and Yashwant Sinha, respectively, have been touring various states and meeting the leaders and lawmakers of like-minded parties, the two sides are yet to pick their candidates for the Vice-President's post. The names of Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Amarinder Singh, Najma Heptullah and Arif Mohammad Khan have been doing the rounds as NDA's probable candidates but there has been no buzz around any name from the other Opposition camp. We will have to wait and watch if the ruling dispensation's pick gets a walkover. Here's all you need to know on the Vice-President's election

The election process for the 16th Vice-President of India began on **JULY 5**

July 19 IS THE LAST DATE FOR FILING THE NOMINATIONS

The term of incumbent **M Venkaiah Naidu's** term ends on **AUGUST 10**

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

The post of Vice-President is provided for under **ARTICLE 63** of the Constitution. It is the second-highest constitutional office after that of the President

ROLE

ARTICLE 65 provides that in case of any vacancy in the office of the President because of death, resignation, removal or otherwise, the Vice-President shall discharge the duties of the President until the time a new President assumes office

The Vice-President shall also discharge the functions of the President when the latter is unable to do so because of **absence, illness or any other cause**

Under Article 64, the Vice-President is the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha (Council of States)

HOW IS THE V-P ELECTED?

- The process of the Vice-President's election is laid down under Article 66
- Members of an electoral college consisting of members of both Houses of Parliament elect the V-P in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote
- Unlike the President's election, state legislatures have no role in the V-P's election
- The voting is conducted through secret ballot

RISHI SUNAK

SUNAK TAKES BRITISH INDIAN STORY FORWARD

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

THE contest within the UK's Conservative Party to elect a new leader to succeed Boris Johnson as British Prime Minister has gathered momentum. British Indian former Chancellor of the Exchequer (finance minister) Rishi Sunak formally launched his leadership bid on Friday.

The new PM is expected to be in place at 10 Downing Street by September.

Often called 'dishy Rishi' by the British tabloid press, Sunak joins fellow Indian-origin candidate Suella Braverman, the UK Attorney General who is among the early Tory MPs to announce her plan to contest.

After he quit the ministerial position, triggering a wave of resignations, Sunak told the media: "We need to make sure that's not the end of the British Indian story. There's lots more we can achieve. There's lots more we can do. And I'm really excited about the future."

Sunak could go on to be the first British Indian Prime Minister of the UK.

The 42-year-old Sunak is son-in-law of Narayana Murthy, Indian IT major Infosys' co-founder. Sunak was born on May 12, 1980 in Southampton, Hampshire, South East England, to Indian parents Yashvir and Usha Sunak who were born in Kenya and Tanzania respectively. His father was a general practitioner while his mother was a pharmacist who ran a local pharmacy.

SOURAV ROY

Extraordinary journey

- Sunak's parents came to the UK from east Africa and are both of Indian origin.
- He attended Oxford to study Philosophy, Politics and Economics.
- While studying for an MBA at Stanford University he met his wife Akshata Murthy, the daughter of Narayana Murthy.
- From 2001 to 2004, Sunak was an analyst for the investment bank, Goldman Sachs.
- Since 2015 he has been the Conservative MP for Richmond in Yorkshire.
- He became a junior minister in former Prime Minister Theresa May's government.

Sunak's grandparents were born in Punjab, British India, and emigrated to the UK in the 1960s from East Africa. Sunak is the eldest of three siblings. The prospective occupant of 10 Downing Street proved his mettle in the early months of the Covid pandemic with a series of mini-budgets. His popularity dipped in recent months amid the cost-of-living crisis. He married Akshata Murthy in 2009. The couple has two daughters. Rishi began his political career in 2014. Sunak was re-elected in the 2019 election and was appointed Chief Secretary to the Treasury in July 2019. He served under Chancellor Sajid Javid.

After a cabinet reshuffle in February 2020, Sunak was promoted to Chancellor of the Exchequer.

NEWSMAKER

Navy ships take part in sea drills across world

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

IN a major display of capability to run simultaneous exercises and make port calls spread out across the globe, Indian Naval Ship *INS Satpura* is busy exercising with multinational navies in Hawaii in the Pacific Ocean. The stealth frigate *INS Tarkash* finished the Maritime Partnership Exercise with Sudan in the Red Sea.

Indian Navy is carrying out multiple "deployments" of its warships in the waters far off India aiming to bolster diplomatic and maritime relationships.

As per the Indian Navy, *INS Satpura* entered Pearl Harbour on 27 June to participate in RIMPAC-22. *INS Satpura* and one P8I maritime patrol aircraft from the Indian Navy are participating in one of the largest multilateral Naval Exercises, the US Navy led biennial Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise 2022. "The exercise spanning over six weeks of intense operations and training is aimed at enhancing interoperability and to build trust among Navies of friendly foreign countries. 27 countries are participating in the current edition of the multi-dimensional exercise," said the Navy. *INS Tarkash* visited Djibouti as part of her long range overseas deployment followed by Maritime Partnership Exercise with Sudan Navy. The ship is on a deployment to Rio de Janerio, Brazil.

INS Satpura is an indigenously designed and built 6000-tonne guided missile stealth frigate and is part of the frontline Eastern Fleet based at Visakhapatnam.

INS Tarkash has been a mission deployed for five months from 27 June 2022. The ship will make 14 port calls in eleven countries in Europe, South America and Africa during this period. In the last one month more frontline warships of the Indian Navy are on multiple deployments. *INS Kochi* is a mission deployed in the Red Sea visited Port Safaga, Egypt from 28-30 Jun 22. The Indian Navy personnel met the Egyptian Navy's officials and *INS Kochi* participated in a Maritime Partnership Exercise with the Egyptian Navy ships *ENS Al Zubair* and *ENS Abu Ubadah* (Lurssen Class Offshore Patrol Boats).

'Global deployment'

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Drones, radars and choppers being used for rescue of Amarnath pilgrims

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

An injured yatri being carred on stretcher by security personnel | PTI

RESCUE operation continued on a war-footing a day after cloudburst near the Amarnath cave shrine that led to flash floods, snuffing out 16 lives on Friday.

Through-wall radars, which detect human activity and heat signature after a particular depth, are being used to search for the 40 missing persons, believed to be trapped under the debris. Drones and helicopters have also been pressed into service. Mountain rescue teams and lookout patrols with high-tech equipment and sniffer dogs deployed to look for survivors. NDRF, SDRF, J&K Police, Army, CRPF, BSF and ITBP are involved in the rescue work and clearing the debris.

The flash floods washed away 25 tents and 3 community kitchens. A survivor said many pilgrims, tentwalas and pony walas were washed away. "I still get the shivers as I saw everything with my eyes. I travelled 16 km on foot from Baltal. The road is in bad shape," he said.

A security official said people involved in rescue work are using only hand tools. "It is not possible to use heavy machinery as people are believed to be trapped. You can't use heavy machinery when there are bodies in the debris."

Most of the stranded pilgrims g were shifted to Panchtarni. Lt-Governor Manoj Sinha said the administration is providing all facilities to the yatris and has advised them to stay put in camps.

Muslims must oppose Udaipur like incidents: RSS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Jaipur

CONDEMNING the recent murder of a tailor in Udaipur by two men over an alleged insult to Islam, the RSS Saturday said the Hindu society has responded in a peaceful and constitutional way, and the Muslim community should also oppose such incidents vigorously.

"It is necessary for all to oppose this together," RSS spokesperson Sunil Ambekar said.

Speaking to reporters after the conclusion of a three-day meeting of the Akhil Bharatiya Prant Pracharaks in Jhunjhunu, he also said the RSS has set a target to increase the number of its shakhas in the country to one lakh by 2024 from the current 56,824.

Ambekar said the meeting discussed upcoming strategies, activities, organisational work, and action plans for the next two years were also evolved. He said work on the last year's target was reviewed at the meeting and a comprehensive expansion plan made for the Sangh's centenary year in 2025. "Under this, by 2024, the number of shakhas will be increased to one lakh across the country and efforts will be made to touch all sections of society and create a positive environment in society," he said.

Replying to a question, Ambekar said public sentiment should also be taken care of while exercising the right to freedom of expression.

Referring to the June 28 murder of Kanhaiya Lal, the Udaipur tailor, he said it was highly condemnable and the Muslim community should oppose such incidents openly.

"There is democracy in our country. We have constitutional democratic rights. If someone doesn't like something, there is a democratic way to react to it," he said.

But such incidents are neither in the interest of society nor the country, he said.

NO RESPITE

After SC bail, fresh warrant against Zubair

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

HOURS after Alt News co-founder Mohammad Zubair got an interim bail from the Supreme Court in a case registered in Sitapur for hurting religious sentiments, the Lakhimpur Kheri police obtained the warrant B against him in a case lodged at Mohammadi police station on charges of promoting enmity between two groups under IPC Section 153(A).

The fresh warrant is in connection with a case registered in November last year on the charge of promoting enmity. The Lakhimpur Kheri court of Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate has summoned Zubair to appear on July 11.

A team of Kheri police, led by investigating officer Dhiraj Shukla, reached the Sitapur jail on Saturday and served the warrant on Zubair. The Lakhimpur Kheri case was filed in September last year on a court directive. Kheri SP Sanjeev Suman said it is the responsibility of the jail officials to produce Zubair in Lakhimpur court.

According to sources, one Ashish Kumar Katiyar submitted a complaint accusing Zubair of circulating false news on Twitter to disturb communal harmony.

Portal, anthem planned for Tiranga drive

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

SETTING up of a dedicated portal, an anthem, tie ups with e-commerce outlets to meet possible rise in demand of the flag, and monitoring with drone cameras are planned to ensure success of the Centre's ambitious 'Har Ghar Tiranga' (Tricolour on each house) programme this Independence Day.

The state governments and public sector undertakings (PSUs) have been asked to work with self-help groups, making Indian national flags, to make sure that sufficient stock is available. The PSUs and corporates will be requested to use corporate social responsibility (CSR) funds for production and availability of Indian tricolour. The programme is being carried out by the Ministry of Culture under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) — commemoration and celebration of 75 years of India's independence. The union ministry for culture G Kishan Reddy has already stated that the Government doesn't intend to distribute free flags but would encourage citizens to purchase.

The ministry in association with the statement governments will develop a mechanism to track production and sale of the flag.

REPRESENTATIVE PICTURE

Only 5-7 % took booster dose in 18-60-year group

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

ONLY five to seven percent of people have taken booster or precaution doses in the 18-60 age group, causing concerns for the government, which had launched the two-month-long Har Ghar Dastak 2.0 campaign to expedite vaccination coverage through door-to-door campaigns.

Now, the government is working on a focused plan so these vulnerable age groups can be further covered and protected from severe diseases as the door-to-door campaign is also not showing the desired results. "The uptake of precaution dose has been slow between 18-60 years, which is five to seven per cent for those eligible in nine months. But now, as the gap between the precaution and second dose has been reduced from nine months to six months, the percentage will further decrease," said N K Arora, head of the Covid-19 Working Group of the National Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (NTAGI). The five to seven percent covered people who were eligible to take the booster dose in nine months.

Speaking with this newspaper, Arora said, even among those above 60 years, the booster dose coverage is around 40-45 per cent, which is very low.

Over 2.58 crore people above 60 years have taken the booster shots. As there has been a slow uptake in vaccination among the 12-18 years age group and those above 60 years, the government is especially targeting these two vulnerable age groups.

"In children, our target is 12-18 years, as they are more likely to be affected by Covid and serious diseases. They are also at the age when they play together and cannot adopt appropriate Covid behaviour, so they contribute to the spread of the disease. They can take the infection from home or bring it home," he said.

New Bill seeks regulation of e-pharmacies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

A new Bill proposed by the government seeks to regulate e-pharmacies and medical devices and provides for jail sentence for failing to pay compensation for injury or death during clinical trials for drugs and medical devices.

The draft New Drugs, Medical Devices and Cosmetics Bill, 2022, which seeks to replace the existing Drugs and Cosmetics Act of 1940, also brings under its purview the regulations for conduct of clinical trials for new drugs and medical devices. Currently, conduct of clinical trials and the provisions for compensation for injury or death during such trials, medical management of the trial participants and regulation of ethics committee etc. come under the New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules, 2019. Medical devices are currently treated as drugs and there is no separate definition of them.

The draft bill has been put up on the Union Health Ministry's website for feedback and objections, if any, from the public and stakeholders have been sought within 45 days from the date the notice was issued, i.e., July 8.

BA.2.75 not severe enough, will not bring 4th wave in India, says expert

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

OMICRON sub-variant, BA.2.75, which is driving the latest Covid-19 surge in India, is not severe or brought serious diseases and risk of death despite being more transmissible than BA.2 responsible for the second Covid wave in India.

Speaking to this newspaper, Dr N K Arora, co-chair of the Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium (INSACOG), said the cases are not being reported from any cluster or any one particular area, despite the transmission and efficiency of the virus being 20-30 per cent more as compared to BA.2.

"The new sub-variant has not led to any major increase or expansion of the case pool or risk of severe disease. These cases are all spread out. I would be worried if they were occurring in one or two districts. It is happening in a scattered manner. This means it is not something which is either spreading too fast or causing too many severe cases," said Arora, head of the Covid-19 Working Group of the National Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (NTAGI).

An Israeli researcher first flagged the new sub-variant, and then the World Health Organisation (WHO) also said they were following BA.2.75 detected in India and other countries.

So far, around 70 BA.2.75 infections have been reported in the country from different states, including Maharashtra, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Telangana and Uttar Pradesh.

When asked whether the surge in Covid cases in the country due to the new sub-variant could lead to a fourth wave, Arora said India is not entering the fourth phase of the pandemic.

"We are very much part of the third wave led by Omicron because any new wave has to be with a new variant of concern. What we are seeing are all off-springs of Omicron. There should not be any concern about this new sub-lineage," he added.

EXPRESS READ

Lekhi podcasts hail freedom struggle heroes

NEW DELHI: Among a plethora of activities and events being held to commemorate 75 years of India's independence, a podcast series on 'unsung' heroes of country's freedom struggle — 'Bharat Ki Kahani Meenakshi Lekhi Ki Zubani' (Story of India by Meenakshi Lekhi) — stands out. This is arguably the only programme which has direct involvement or participation of a Union minister under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) initiative in true sense.

NEW ON SHELF

After the success of bestselling title, 'Ikigai', authors Hector Garcia and Francesc Miralles are back with another self-help book, 'Shinrin Yoku: The Rejuvenating Practice of Forest Bathing'.

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Ahmedabad	38	30	Mumbai	29	26
Bhopal	30	24	Panaji	28	26
Jaipur	29	26	Patna	36	30
Amritsar	30	25	Lucknow	37	30
Chennai	36	29	Port Blair	30	27
Kolkata	32	28	Imphal	30	22
Srinagar	31	19	Chandigarh	33	29

Haryana to get new Assembly building in Chandigarh

Miffed by the announcement, Punjab also demands land for separate Assembly

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

HOME Minister **Amit Shah** on Saturday announced land for an additional assembly building of Haryana in Chandigarh, inviting objections from Punjab that claims the UT is a part of the state as per the state reorganization Act 1966.

Shah was chairing the 30th meeting of the Northern Zone Council meeting at Jaipur.

Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar thanked the Home Minister and conveyed the latter's decision on Twitter. He said a new delimitation was due in 2026, which will form the basis of Lok Sabha and Assembly polls in 2029.

As per an estimate based on the population of Haryana in the new delimitation, the number of Assembly constituencies will be 126 and the number of Lok Sabha constituencies will be 14. The state currently has 10 Lok Sabha and has a 90-member Assembly.

Khattar also raised the issues of Sutlej-Yamuna Link canal, appointment of members to the Bhakra Beas Management Board and restoration of Haryana's share in Panjab University.

Khattar said the current Assembly building could hardly accommodate the full strength of 90 MLAs. "It is impossible to expand the building due to its heritage character," he said. "Even after 56 years of Haryana's formation, we haven't got our full rights."

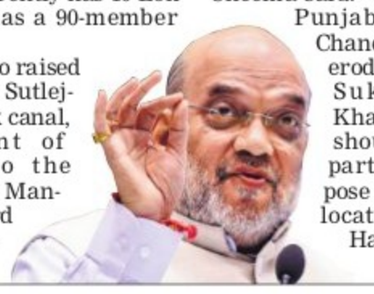
Responding to Haryana, Punjab CM Mann tweeted: "I appeal to the Centre that on the pattern of Haryana, Punjab should also be given land in Chandigarh for a separate Assembly. Punjab should also get land for a separate HC."

He said the non-completion of the SYL canal, the surplus water of the Ravi, Sutlej and Beas go to Pakistan. The matter is pending before the Supreme Court.

Punjab parties are up in arms against the Central move. SAD's Dr Daljeet Singh Cheema said: "It is clear that Punjab's right over Chandigarh is being eroded." Congress' Sukhpal Singh Khaira said Mann should call an all-party meet to oppose the "illegal allocation of land to Haryana."

The 24,630 sq feet area in Assembly building was given to the Secretariat. However, the 20 rooms that came to our share are still in the possession of the Punjab Assembly

Manohar Lal Khattar



Speaker seeks more security for MLAs over threats

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chandigarh

HARYANA Assembly Speaker Gian Chand has urged CM-Manohar Lal Khattar to enhance the security of MLAs in the state, saying they are facing threats to their life. So far, three Congress lawmakers — Renu Bala, Subhash Gangoli and Surendra Pawar — and BJP MLA Sanjay Singh have received calls and messages threatening to kill them if they do not pay money.

In a letter to Khattar written on Saturday, Gian Chand wrote that the leaders are feeling insecure and the family members are living in fear. He also requested the CM to set up a special force and order a high-level inquiry over the issue.

Former chief minister and leader of Opposition, Bhupinder Singh Hooda, had also recently demanded proper security for MLAs. "The law and order situation has collapsed under the BJP-JJP government," Hooda had said. "Today, no one is safe, neither a common man nor a MLA."

Recently, a case was registered on the complaint of Singh, a BJP MLA from Sohana in Gurugram, wherein he stated that he had received extortion message on WhatApp from an associate of the Neeraj Bawana gang who demanded ₹5 lakh. The security of Bala, Gangoli and Pawar was also enhanced after they got threats.

In February, Congress MLA from Adampur in Hisar, Kuldeep Bishnoi, got extortion calls on his mobile an unknown person who threatened the leader and his family, and demanded a ransom of ₹2 crore.

Shinde, Fadnavis meet PM, BJP brass; discuss Cabinet with Nadda

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

CABINET formation and an understanding on power sharing in Maharashtra likely figured in a meeting that BJP chief JP Nadda had with CM Eknath Shinde and his BJP deputy Devendra Fadnavis on Saturday. Shinde and Fadnavis also called on President Ram Nath Kovind, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.

This was Shinde's first visit to Delhi after his camp brought down the MVA government in the state.

Sources said the meeting hosted at Nadda's residence continued for almost an hour.

On Friday, Shinde and Fadnavis had met Home Minister Amit Shah. The meeting lasted four hours, sources said.

Though no official details of discussions were available, sources said the Shinde-led Shiv Sena was demanding the home department while the BJP wanted the urban development ministry.

Speaking to the media, Fadnavis credited his party for making him the CM, the post he had earlier held, and as number two, currently, "as per the need of the party."

"I have been abiding by the decision of the party and will continue. Shinde is our leader and we will work under him under our alliance for the welfare of Maharashtra," he said.

He said the new government would complete its tenure, paving the way for a grand win in the next Assembly polls. Shinde said the alliance has the support of 164 MLAs against 99 of the Opposition.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis during their meeting in New Delhi | PTI

RAJASTHAN

Amit Shah orders new panel formation to tackle cyber security threat

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Jaipur

STRESSING that organised and coordinated cyber attacks have profound national security implications, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday directed the formation of a committee headed by home secretary to formulate a strategy to tackle the menace, officials said. Shah issued the direction during the meeting of the Northern Zonal Council held in Jaipur.

Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot also asked the Centre to grant the East Rajasthan Canal Project (ERCP) the status of a national project. He also asked the Centre to create posts for member from Rajasthan in Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB).

Gehlot said the ₹37,247 crore ERCP scheme will benefit 13 districts of the state, and reminded that PM Narendra Modi had in 2018 promised to declare ERCP as a national project.

"This issue has been raised continuously by the state at the central level. I request that the central government should declare the ERCP as a national project at the earliest," Gehlot said. He also urged the Centre to extend the period of GST compensation by five years from June 2022 to June 2027.

The council comprises Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Punjab, Rajasthan, Delhi and Chandigarh. The meeting was also attended by Haryana's Manohar Lal Khattar, Himachal Pradesh's Jai Ram Thakur, Ladakh Lt Governor Radha Krishna Mathur, Delhi Lt Governor VK Saxena, Punjab Governor Banwarilal Purohit as well as officers from these states. Issues such as internal security, road, transport, industries, water and power were also discussed in the meeting, sources said.

BIHAR

BJP national frontal organisations to meet in Patna, Nadda to attend

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

GIVING special focus to Bihar once again, the BJP will hold a meeting of its frontal organisations here on July 31. BJP national president JP Nadda will also participate in the event, along with chairpersons and general secretaries of the frontal organisations of all states and other important office bearers.

There are seven frontal organisations of BJP across the country — Kisan Morcha, Mahila Morcha, SC Morcha, Yuva Morcha, ST Morcha, OBC Morcha and Minority Morcha.

Before the conclave, BJP will also organise a 3-day training camp in Gaya from July 14, in which over 300 participants, including senior leaders, district party presidents and in-charges, will be present. Bihar BJP president Sanjay Jaiswal said on Saturday that regular training is an integral part of the party's policy. A meeting was also held in the state BJP headquarters to formulate plans for successful arrangement of these programmes. The meeting was attended by Jaiswal, general secretary (organisation) Bhikubhai Dalsaniya and regional general secretary (organisation) Nagendra.

In April, BJP had celebrated freedom fighter Kunwar Singh's Vijayotsava at Jagdishpur in Bhojpur district in a big way, an initiative seen as the party's move towards promoting its politics of nationalism and Hindutva ahead of the 2024 polls.

The national executive meeting of BJP's frontal organisations is being held in Bihar at a time when the ties between BJP and its main ally JD-U have got strained following differences on issues like caste census and population control policy.

SURAT

Gujarat benefits more due to double engine govt, says state BJP president

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

GUJARAT benefits more due to the double engine government, BJP president CR Patil said at the executive meeting of the party's state unit held at Surat on Saturday. The meeting was inaugurated by Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, Gujarat BJP incharge Bhupendra Yadav and Patil.

Addressing the gathering, Patil said, "Gujarat's people love Prime Minister Narendra Modi. During the last big five meetings of the PM, around 15 lakh people took part. Under his leadership, Gujarat has always been at the forefront of development work. The state has benefited more due to the double-engine government. Farmers are getting good prices. After 500 years, the flag has been hoisted at the Pavagadh temple."

Patil also briefed the executive members on various works done by Gujarat BJP in the last few months, including the launch of the membership campaign, organisational activism, and nutrition campaign. Leaders were advised to pay special attention to tribal areas. Union Cabinet Minister for Fisheries, Purusottam Rupala, said, "BJP has deputed an in-charge for each Assembly seat, who has been asked to stay for two days in the tribal areas, to understand the needs and expectations of the community from the party."

According to a BJP source, "The main agenda of the executive is to reach every door, because the party sees a threat from the AAP in Assembly election. Congress is very weak organisationally as it has not been in power for years. The BJP is trying to take full advantage of this in the next Assembly polls."

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New policy to help boost EV adoption

The New Chhattisgarh Electric Vehicle (EV) policy 2022 comes with tempting benefits to automobile buyers as well as manufacturers. The policy equally focuses on turning the state into an EV maker hub, open up employment opportunities and safeguard the environment. The government has set a target of five years to have a minimum of 15 per cent of new registrations with rapid adoption of Battery Electric Vehicles—individual use or commercial purpose as EVs till 2027. There will be exemptions given to the manufacturers, as well as 100 per cent SGST and reimbursement of registration fees for buyers.

Poll-bound state gets paddy purchase target

The Chhattisgarh government has decided to increase its paddy procurement to 110 lakh metric tonnes (LMT) during the upcoming kharif season. The Assembly poll in Chhattisgarh is due next year. The last season saw 97.98 LMT procured under the minimum support price . The cabinet sub-committee appreciated officials for smooth paddy procurement. Farmers are allowed to use old gunny bags to sell their produce. The state government which is providing the highest MSP at `2,500 per quintal in India has decided to increase the rate by adding the input subsidy. "Now the state will pay `2,640 per quintal in the next kharif season," CM Bhupesh Baghel said.

'Nari Tu Abla Nahi' nationally recognised

A play titled Nari Tu Abla Nahi, written by a school teacher, has secured her the best artist award in the music and drama category in the All India Civil Services Music and Dance competition by the Union Youth Affairs ministry. Shashi Tiwari, hailing from Bhatapara in Chhattisgarh, won the recognition for her drama that reflects the state of a woman in a middle class family which is disintegrated owing to liquor or drug addiction.

It will expose officials to new tech

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"THIS will expose MoCA officers to latest technologies, innovative practices and ground-level challenges. This will also help them take a holistic view when working on policy, procedural and administrative reforms, once back in the office," the source said. As per the plan that five to six officers would allowed to work in private companies as part immersive training. "They will be distributed over different aviation companies," the source said.

The process started last month and a few officers have already begun their training.

"It have brought a lot excitement among the officers to work along side the private companies," the source said.

At initial stage, private companies selected are Air Asia, Blue Dart, Bengaluru Airport, Celebi, GoFirst, Hyderabad Airport, IndiGo, Kannur Airport, IGI Airport, SpiceJet and Vistara.

FINAL JOURNEY

Matriarch who never could be: Mulayam's wife dies

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

SAMAJWADI Party patriarch Mulayam Singh Yadav's second wife, Sadhna Gupta, passed away after a prolonged illness at Gurugram's Medanta Hospital on Saturday. She was recently admitted to the hospital with a lung infection. However, her condition deteriorated and she was shifted to the ICU a few days ago.

Sadhna, 62, was Mulayam's second wife. And as family dramas usually unfold, the Yadav household witnessed its fair share of glee and grumpiness — most of the latter kept under the breath though it managed to escape frequently — since her formal acceptance into the family, years after the relationship blossomed. Through the years, whispers continued to float around about the strained ties between Mulayam's son from his first marriage, the current SP chief Akhilesh, and his step-brother, Prateek, whose wife, Aparna Yadav, recently left the family-led party to join the BJP.

Hailing from Bidhuna, now in Auraiya district, Sadhna nursed political ambitions from the beginning and used to attend Janata Dal events. Mulayam was then emerging on the political horizon of UP. He got to know Sadhna, who was 20 years his junior, in the mid-'80s when she was pursuing a course in nursing and was deputed to take care of Mulayam's ailing mother, Murti Devi.

In this 2017 file photo, Mulayam Singh Yadav is seen with his wife Sadhna Yadav (right) and daughter-in-law Aparna Yadav in Saifai | PTI

Sources say Sadhna left an indelible mark on Mulayam's heart when she saved his mother from being given a wrong injection by a nurse.

As they grew closer between 1982 and 1988, Mulayam's confidant, Amar Singh, was apparently the only one who knew about the relationship. Sadhna got married to a businessman, Chandra Prakash Gupta, in 1986, and gave birth to Prateek a year later. She divorced her husband soon after and became active in politics.

Mulayam is said to have introduced Akhilesh to Sadhna for the first time in 1988, before he was sent to Dholpur Military School in Rajasthan. Mulayam took the reins of UP for the first time in 1989, and remained in touch with Sadhna. He is believed to have considered her his lucky charm.

However, it wasn't until his first wife Malti Devi's death in 2003 that Mulayam introduced Sadhna as his second wife. He had become the UP chief minister for the third time then, and had taken Sadhna to the CM house along with the whole Yadav family. It was far from being a rosy family event though.

Akhilesh expressed his opposition to his father for giving Sadhna the status of his wife, and decided to live separately. Sources say Mulayam placated him by promising that neither Sadhna nor Prateek would ever claim his political legacy. Little did they know then perhaps that the political pushback would come from Prateek's wife, Aparna.

Though neither Akhilesh nor Sadhna ever came out in open against each other, his supporters had held her responsible when the fierce family feud was at its peak in 2017. They blamed her for driving a wedge between the father and son, saying she wanted to introduce her son to politics.

Now, with Aparna joining the BJP and Akhilesh-led SP at its nadir in state politics, Sadhna's demise seems to be another sad chapter in the family's story.

YOGI, MAURYA EXTEND CONDOLENCES

Mulayam Singh Yadav was in Delhi at the time of his wife's death, party sources said, adding that the body would be brought to Lucknow. Senior party leaders and workers on Saturday started arriving at the SP patron's house soon after the news of Gupta's death broke. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Prasad Maurya tweeted to extend their condolences to Yadav and his family.

TMC WORKERS' MURDER: AIDE OF MAIN SUSPECT HELD

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

TWO days after three TMC workers were killed in broad daylight in Canning, South 24 Parganas, police made their first breakthrough on Saturday by arresting an accomplice of the prime suspect.

Mohammad Aftabuddin, the accomplice of alleged mastermind Rafikul Sheikh, was arrested from a hideout in Canning. The investigators are yet to ascertain the motive behind the triple murder. The FIR mentioned six persons, including Rafikul, who are known to be TMC activists in the area.

"Preliminary investigation revealed Aftabuddin had followed Swapan Majhi, the member of a gram panchayat, for three days before he was shot and hacked to death along with two others. He also provided the killers information that Swaoan would be going to the local party office in the morning of the fateful day," said a police officer.

Police sources said Aftabuddin had also followed Swapan and the other victims, booth presidents Bhootnath Pramanik and Jhantu Majhi, and passed the information of their movement to the assailants.

The incident took place around 9 am on Thursday when the three victims were going to the local party office.

"We are examining the call records of the cellphones of the accused to know whom they can contact. We have alerted our counterparts at other places in the state," said the police officer.

Rafikul was earlier arrested in a drug smuggling case and was released on bail recently. We are probing his relation with Swapan and the reason that led to the killings

Police

Main accused at large

The police suspect that Swapan was the prime target and his associates were shot and hacked for witnessing the crime. All the six named in the FIR are at large since the incident.

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Colombo	29	26	LC	Melbourne	14	7	HR
Dhaka	34	27	TDS	Moscow	29	19	HR
Dubai	39	32	SNY	New York	27	19	LC
Houston	40	28	SNY	Singapore	30	27	TDS
Istanbul	26	19	LC	Toronto	24	16	LC
London	29	16	LC	Washington	28	18	LC

Cops admit flaws in safety of Abe

Cops are still piecing together the details of the man who opened fire on former PM

TOKYO

JAPANESE police on Saturday admitted there were problems with security for former prime minister Shinzo Abe, as his body arrived at his family home a day after he was assassinated on the campaign.

The country was in mourning for Japan's longest-serving premier and well-wishers gathered to pay their respects.

But candidates also continued campaigning for the upper house election on Sunday, with Prime Minister Fumio Kishida insisting: "We must never allow violence to suppress speech during elections, which are the foundation of democracy."

The murder of Japan's best-known politician has rattled the country and sent shockwaves around the world, particularly given the nation's low levels of violent crime and strict gun laws.

Police are still piecing together details of the man who opened fire at close range on Friday, but the 41-year-old named as Tetsuya Yamaguchi has confessed to killing the former premier, motivated by a belief Abe was linked to an unspecified organisation.

A hearse transporting body of Shinzo Abe arrives at his residence on Saturday | AFP

Yamagami's motives remain unclear, with police declining so far to identify the organisation he believed Abe had links to. They are investigating claims Yamagami served in Japan's navy, and said he appeared to have used a handmade gun. National broadcaster *NHK* said he described months of planning for the attack, including an original plot involving explosives that was later shelved in favour of building guns.

Citing police sources, the station said Yamagami also claimed to have scouted out Abe at other speeches.

Security at local campaign events in Japan can be relatively relaxed, but given Abe's profile, questions have been raised about whether measures to protect him were too lax.

International reaction to Abe's death was swift and stark. Regional powers with whom Abe had clashed expressed condolences. Local media reported that a wake would be held on Monday evening and a funeral on Tuesday for his close family and associates. *AP*

Where is President Rajapaksa?

COLOMBO

EMBATTLED Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa's whereabouts was not known after he was moved out of his residence on Friday ahead of Saturday's protests during which thousands of irate anti-government protesters stormed into his official residence in Colombo.

Rajapaksa, who was facing calls for resignation since March, was using the President's House as his residence and office since protesters came to occupy the entrance to his office early April.

According to sources, the President had been moved out of his residence on Friday, in anticipation of Saturday's protests. His whereabouts was unknown as protesters have now occupied both his office and official residence.

Reports have surfaced that luggage was rushed on to the Sri Lanka Navy Ship Gajabahu anchored at the Colombo Port, *News 1st* channel reported on Saturday.

"The Harbour Master at the Colombo Port said that a group boarded the SLNS Sindurala and SLNS Gajabahu and left the port,' it added.

He said he cannot provide details of the manifest or about those who boarded the vessels, the channel said.

Earlier, a viral video on social media showed a VIP motorcade reaching the Colombo international airport where a SriLanka Airlines aircraft was parked.

At least 30 people, including two policemen, were injured in clashes between security personnel and protesters ' some of them holding Sri Lankan flags and helmets, who had gathered in large numbers in the Fort area, demanding President Rajapaksa's resignation.

Protesters who climbed the walls of the President's House are now occupying it without damaging any property or indulging in acts of violence.

Video footage from inside the building showed hundreds of protesters packing into rooms and corridors, while hundreds also milled around the grounds outside.

Some video clips showed scores of people taking a dip in the presidential palace pool. A group of his own parliamentarians have addressed a letter to President Rajapaksa, urging him to step down and appoint a new Prime Minister and an all-party government.

Sri Lanka is under the grip of an unprecedented economic turmoil. *PTI*

Protesters demanding the resignation of Sri Lanka's President Gotabaya Rajapaksa swim in a pool inside Sri Lanka's Presidential Palace in Colombo on Saturday | AFP

EMPOWERMENT

Women in France push to save their abortion rights

PARIS

WITH women increasingly taking leadership positions in French politics, lawmakers in both houses of parliament have proposed four bills to enshrine the right to abortion in the French Constitution.

The most notable initiative comes from President Emmanuel Macron's centrist alliance. His detractors on the left say Macron's party is being opportunist, while far-right critics accuse it of using the issue to distract from more pressing matters.

Abortion in France was decriminalised under a 1975 law named for Simone Veil, a prominent legislator, former health minister and key feminist who championed it.

"This right was fought for and was inalienable," said Yaël Braun-Pivet, the first woman elected speaker of the National Assembly, France's most powerful house of parliament. Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne also expressed concerns over the potential effects of the US Supreme Court's decision on recent efforts to recriminalize abortion in Europe.

"It's a stark warning that women's rights should never be taken for granted," Borne said last week. She called for inscribing these rights into the French Constitution and the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.

In France, a poll this week found a solid majority of respondents support the right to abortion, even including most voters who support Marine Le Pen's far-right National Rally party and the conservative Republicans. However, the effort to inscribe abortion rights in the French Constitution may not succeed if Macron's political rivals decide they don't want to give him an easy win. Last year, French lawmakers passed a law extending the abortion deadline from 12 to 14 weeks. *AP*

Ukraine also at fault for nursing home attack: UN

WASHINGTON

TWO weeks after Russia launched its invasion of Ukraine in February, Kremlin-backed rebels assaulted a nursing home in the eastern region of Luhansk.

Dozens of elderly and disabled patients, many of them bedridden, were trapped inside without water or electricity.

In a war awash in atrocities, the attack on the nursing home near the village of Stara Krasnyanka stood out for its cruelty. Ukrainian authorities placed the fault squarely on Russian forces. But a new UN report has found that Ukraine's armed forces bear a large, and perhaps equal, share of the blame for what happened in Stara Krasnyanka, which is about 580 kilometers southeast of Kyiv, the capital of Ukraine. A few days before the attack, Ukrainian soldiers took up positions inside the nursing home, effectively making the building a target.

At least 22 of the 71 patients survived the assault, but the exact number of people killed remains unknown, according to the UN. The report by the UN's Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights doesn't conclude the Ukrainian soldiers or the Moscow-backed separatist fighters committed a war crime. But it said the battle at the Stara Krasnyanka nursing home is emblematic of the human rights office's concerns over the potential use of "human shields" to prevent military operations in certain areas. *AP*

Sunak faces steep climb to 10 Downing

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

INDIAN-ORIGIN British MP Rishi Sunak on Saturday formally launched his campaign to replace Boris Johnson as UK PM, days after the latter stepped down.

"Let's restore trust, rebuild the economy and reunite the country," the 42-year-old Sunak tweeted. He has attracted the support of over a dozen MPs to become the UK's next prime minister.

"We must have a serious individual to steer us through these serious times. Only Rishi has the proven track record as an economic heavyweight to deliver. I am backing him to be our next PM," MP, Mel Stride, said. Another of Sunak's backer, MP Simon Jupp said, "I trust Rishi to deliver a credible Conservative vision for the future which restores trust and rebuilds our economy."

However, the son-in-law of Infosys founder Narayana Murthy faces strong challengers. At least eight other candidates are in the fray. Among them, Defence Secretary Ben Wallace, a Johnson loyalist, has emerged as the front-runner for the post, with mutliple opinion polls favouring him. Minister of state for trade policy for Penny Mordaunt and former foreign secretary Liz Truss are other strong candidates.

For EU, exit of Boris won't change much

BRUSSELS

FROM his days stoking anti-European Union sentiment with exaggerated newspaper stories, to his populist campaign leading Britain out of the bloc and reneging on the post-Brexit trade deal he signed, outgoing UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson has been the bane of Brussels for all so many years.

Such was his impact on breaking the bonds between Britain and the EU that after Johnson was forced to announce Thursday that he would step down, the news brought little public jubilation in EU circles.

"I will not miss him," French finance minister Bruno Le Maire said, highlighting an open disdain unseen since the Europeans welcomed the US election loss of Donald Trump in 2020. And while trans-Atlantic relations picked up quickly since the arrival of President Joe Biden, don't expect anything similar with a new British leader, politicians and experts said.

File photo: An advertising billboard for an English language school depicts Britain's prime minister Boris Johnson, in Zagreb, Croatia | AP

"Even with a new prime minister, I believe there will likely be few changes in the British government's position" on the main Brexit issues causing current divisions, said David McAllister, the leading EU legislator dealing with the United Kingdom.

Guy Verhofstadt, who was the top EU parliamentarian, said Johnson's impact was such there is little to no chance another Conservative prime minister could steer a fundamentally different course.

UK was always a halfhearted EU member since joining the bloc. When Johnson joined, he often enthralled his home readership with stories that had two fundamental elements: they put the EU in the darkest of lights, and they had little connection to reality.

As a Conservative politician, he threw his weight in the 2016 referendum on the UK's EU membership behind arguments to leave the bloc.

Johnson used his breezy manner jokey style to sell benefits of withdrawing from EU, sometimes disregarding the facts. *AP*

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and/or Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **symbolic possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Indiranagar-II Branch of Canara Bank**., will be sold on the basis of "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" **on 25.07.2022 at 10.30 AM to 12.30 PM,** for recovery of Rs 5,88,61,034 (Rupees Five Crore Eighty Eight lakhs sixty one Thousand and thirty four Only) along with costs expenses and future interest there on due to Indiranagar-II Branch of Canara Bank from Borrower: **1. M/S Shree Kaderi Enterprises, 2. M/S North Star Concepts, 3. M/S Hotel Aura Inn,** All are Residing at : No 2405 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, Hal IIIrd Stage Extension, BDA Layout, Bangalore 560075. **4. Mrs Kalpana Muthu** W/O Muthu Annamalai (Propreitor), 303 3Rd Floor Abhirami Enclave 5th E Main Manjunatha Layout, Murugeshpalya, Bangalore 560017.

The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposits, Auction date, last date of submission of Bid details are as under. The Earnest Money shall be deposited by way of DD favouring Canara Bank, Indiranagar-II Branch OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer – **IFSC CODE CNRB0010432**) to the credit of the account number **209272434, Canara Bank, Indiranagar-II Branch,** Bangalore on or before **21.07.2022 by 4.00 PM.**

The property can be inspected on **19.07.2022 between 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM** with prior appointment.

Description of the immovable Assets	Reserve Price	EMD Amount	Incremental value at Bid
All that piece and parcel of Immovable property bearing Site No. 2084 in Katha No. 228, PID No. 82-24-228 Kengeri Satellite Town (Kengeri Upanagara) formed by the Bangalore Development Authority, measuring East and west 60 feet, North and south 40 feet in all whatsoever underneath or above the surface consisting of one basement, ground floor, first, second, Third and fourth floor, measuring 2400sq.ft, within the registration sub-district Bangalore and district Bangalore- 560060, Bounded on: North by : Site No.2083, South by : Site No.2085, East by : Site No.2101, West by : Road 1st main, 80ft	Rs. 5,71,45,000	Rs 57,14,500/-	Rs 10,000/-

known encumbrances/Court litigation, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

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Date: 08.07.2022
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
Branch office : No.642, 1st Floor, Opp: Zilla Panchayath Bhavan, Vidyanagar, BM Road, RAMANAGARA-562 159, Phone No: 080-27274402, Website : https://ksfc.karnataka.gov.in, e-mail : rmr.ksfc@karnataka.gov.in

SALE OF ASSETS THROUGH E-AUCTION

The following assets have been taken over by the Corporation under Sec.29 of **State Financial Corporations' Act 1951** and the same are available for sale on **'as is where is condition basis'** through e-auction.

Name of the Borrower	1. M/s S.L.N.Bricks Industries, Sy.No.64/1, 64/6, 64/2A1, 66/2A3, 66/1, 66/5, 66/2 and 66/8, Anajawadi Village, Chikkamudawadi Post, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk Ramanagara District.		2. M/s Venkateswara Brick Industry, Sy.No.152/2, Balalingegowdana Doddy, Thalavadi Village, Kootagal Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & District	
Name of the Secured Creditors	KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION, BRANCH OFFICE, RAMANAGARA		KARNATAKA STATE FINANCIAL CORPORATION, BRANCH OFFICE, RAMANAGARA	
Details of the assets for sale	Land & Building: All the piece and parcel of industrial converted land situated in Sy.No.64/1 (11.08 guntas), 64/6 (5.08 guntas), 64/2A1 (12 guntas), 66/2A3 (5 guntas), 66/1 (12 guntas), 66/5 (10 guntas), 66/2 (14 guntas) and 66/8 (12 guntas) (totaly measuring 2 acres and 1.16 guntas) at Anajawadi Village, Chikkamudawadi Post, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk Ramanagara District together with the Concrete Drying yard of 334.45 sq.m; labour quarters/ shed lean to sheet roof of 48.17 sq.m and tank.	Plant & Machinery: Hydraulic Block making machine, Wheel borrows-2 Nos. Concrete Mixer-1 No. Ram & Moulds-1 set, DG Set of 7.5 KVA	Land & Building: Industrial converted Property bearing Sy.No.152/2, Balalinge gowdana Doddy, Thalavadi Village, Kootagal Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & District measuring 2 acres. along with drying Drying yard measuring 1719.00 sq.mtrs and Labour sheds measuring 92.90 sq.mtrs.	Plant & Machinery: Open type Kiln of 1.00 lakh brick capacity
Reserve	Rs.46.30 lakhs		Rs.55.93 lakhs	
EMD	Rs.4.65 lakhs		Rs.5.60 lakhs	
Date & time of inspection of the assets	15.07.2022 from 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM		15.07.2022 from 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM	
Commence -ment of e-auction	12.08.2022 at 10.30 AM		12.08.2022 at 10.30 AM	
Closure of e-auction	20.08.2022 at 11.30 AM		20.08.2022 at 11.30 AM	
Last date to pay EMD & time	20.08.2022 at 10.30 AM		20.08.2022 at 10.30 AM	

Terms & conditions of sale through e-auction are detailed in website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or **https://ksfc.karnataka.gov.in** The interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website. For more details on participation of e-auction please contact e-procurement, 4th Floor, Sri Aravind Bhavan, Mythic Society Compound, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru-560001 or helpdesk No.**+91 80 46010000, +91 80 68948777** **email: support@eprochelpdesk.com** and may also contact our Branch Office.

Date: 08.07.2022
Place : Ramanagar

Sd/-
Branch Manager.

85 complaints have been registered on the National Consumer Helpline (NCH) after new guidelines were issued on July 4 barring hotels, restaurants from levying service charge by default, the CCPA said on Saturday and directed district collectors to take action against violators

Adani to bid for 5G; denies entry into telecom

Experts say the industry might see more disruptions with the surprise entry of Adani

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

IN a surprising move, billionaire Gautam Adani-led Adani Group on Saturday confirmed its entry into the race to acquire 5G spectrum. The company, however, denied that it will not be in a consumer mobility space. It said will participate in the 5G spectrum auction to own a private network

Adani will pit against Mukesh Ambani's Reliance Jio and telecom czar Sunil Bharti Mittal's Airtel. Telecom experts believe the entry of Adani Group in the auction, which is scheduled to take place on July 26, will intensify competition and bidding intensity of telcos as now there will be 3 players into the fray with deep pockets.

"Our intention is not to be in the consumer mobility space. As India prepares to roll out next generation 5G services through this auction, we are one of the many applicants participating in the open bidding process," said a spokesperson of Adani Group.

Adani Group; which has business of operating airports and ports, generating and distributing electricity, and coal and gas; said its purpose to participate in the auction is to provide private network solutions along with enhanced cyber security in the airport, ports and logistics, power generation, transmission, distribution, and various manufacturing operations. Spectrum award to the firm will align with its recent announcement of raising Adani Foundation's investments in education, healthcare and skill development in rural areas, each of which stands to benefit from 5G technology, the firm said. "In addition, as we build our own digital platform encompassing super apps, edge data centres, and industry command and control centres, we will need ultra-high quality data streaming capabilities through a high frequency and low latency 5G network across all our businesses," a company statement said.

Experts say the telecom industry might see more disruptions with the surprise entry of Adani in the 5G spectrum auction. "Main factor to decide the future of the telecom landscape would be the type of licence Adani acquires -- whether it goes all out with a unified licence or is restricted to private networks. For now, the private 5G network is expected to be the main driver, considering multiple ports owned by the group," said Charu Paliwal, research analyst, Counterpoint Research.

Prashanth Tapse, vice-president (research), Mehta Equities, said, "It would be difficult to comment on the unexpected big entry, which would lead to a more competitive environment. We should wait and watch this development closely."

Govt launches Jute Mark logo

Kolkata: The government on Saturday introduced certification of authenticity for jute products with the unveiling of "Jute Mark India" logo by the Union Textile Secretary U P Singh. It is an initiative to promote and protect Indian jute products, Singh said. "Jute Mark India (JMI) scheme will provide the collective identity and assurance on origin and quality for traditional jute and jute products. The JMI would therefore be a hallmark of powerful creative work that defines the jute product with quality, distinguishes it from competition and connects it with customers," a National Jute Board statement said. PTI

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Global oil prices could reach $380 a barrel if Russia were to retaliate against the sanctions

Discounted oil from Russia

Russia has raked in $24 billion selling oil at discounted prices during the 3-month Ukraine war. The potential range for the price cap being explored is between $40 and $60 a barrel

Volatile oil prices and the signs of an impending global recession are roiling both economic indicators and consumer sentiment the world over. In an environment fraught with 'anything-can-happen', the worst casualty is the ability to predict which way things are going to move.

With the Ukraine war, and the sanctions on Russian oil and gas, pundits had predicted the rise and rise of crude prices in the face of looming shortages. In the last few days and weeks, things have moved in the opposite direction. Last Tuesday and Wednesday, the two crude benchmarks –Brent and West Texas Intermediate (WTI) – tested $100 a barrel for the first time since April. Brent and WTI collapsed 10% on fears of a coming recession and a problem of over-stocking in the US. Gasoline prices at US pumps have fallen for three weeks at a stretch and are retailing at $4.80 a gallon as compared to $7 a gallon just a few weeks ago. Globally, oil prices have fallen 20% since the March highs.

Multiple scenarios

In this context, Citigroup's prediction that oil prices could tumble to $65 a barrel by the end of the year on the back of an "increasingly likely" recession in the global economy, is making waves. Even if recession does not happen, the poor consumer sentiment could still push down crude prices to around $85 a year, analysts at Citi have said.

At the other end of the spectrum, analysts of JP Morgan Chase are warning that global oil prices could reach a "stratospheric" $380 a barrel if Russia were to retaliate against the sanctions imposed by the G7 countries by cutting its crude oil output.

The US and its European allies – the G7 – a week ago pledged to "prevent Russia from profiting from its war of aggression", including imposing a ban on the transport of Russian oil that has been sold above a certain price cap. Russia has raked in $24 billion selling oil at discounted prices during the 3-month Ukraine war. The potential range for the price cap being explored is between $40 and $60 a barrel. This range is seen as unrealistic and may be impossible to implement, as the current Russian Urals crude is going for above $80 a barrel. An attempt by the US and its allies to force the issue by blocking transportation of Russian crude, could spark Russian retaliation of stopping oil production altogether – a scenario that could send prices shooting up.

The pain of recession

Oil is the short-term pain. The long-term one is recession. After the 'Lehman Brothers' financial heart attack of 2007-09 and the 2020 Covid-19 recession when the global economy shrank by over 5%, 2022 was billed as a year of growth and consolidation. But with the Ukraine war, and the shortage of commodities in the production chain it has set off, we now seem to be staring at the developed economies entering another recessionary cycle.

All the signs are there. Some time ago the yield curve reversed with short-term interest rates exceeding long-term ones for treasury bonds, one of the signals for recession. High inflation driven by high energy prices and a drop in the US GDP by 1.4% are other worrying signs. The stock market benchmarks the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq have been more or less in free fall for the last 2 months.

Consumer sentiment too is at its worst. The closely-followed University of Michigan survey said the June US consumer sentiment had hit a 14.4% drop in June compared to previous month of May – the lowest recorded since the university started collecting data 70 years ago.About 79% of those consumers said they expected bad times for business conditions in the upcoming year, the highest level for that metric since 2009. Still, it is a long way to go before the global slowdown can be firmly declared a technical 'recession' with two firm quarters of contraction. There is still scope to pull away and settle for a 'mild recession' as the Nomura analysts predict. For India, a recession in the US particularly has serious implications and will hit the country's bid to build a growth story.

The US constitutes around 18% of India's merchandise export market and over 60% of India's IT-ITeS exports. India is the 6th largest contributor of émigré labour to the US, and US investments in turn in India are already slowing as can be seen from the fall in the stock markets.

Beyond the fears of Russia shutting oil production sending prices to $380 a barrel,or to Citi's prediction of oil touching $65 on crashing demand, the possible mean could be Goldman Sachs' forecast of crude creeping up to $140/b. Despite recessionary trends, demand for energy is still robust and supply limited because of faltering investment. Who knows there could even be a ceasefire in the Ukraine.

Q1 EARNINGS

D-Mart Q1 profit jumps multifold to ₹642.89 crore

PTI @ New Delhi

AVENUE SUPERMARTS, which owns and operates retail chain D-Mart, on Saturday reported over six-fold jump in its consolidated net profit to ₹642.89 crore for the quarter ended on June 30, 2022, helped by a "very good recovery" in overall sales and a comparative low YoY base.

The company had posted a net profit of ₹95.36 crore in the April-June quarter a year ago, said Avenue Supermarts in a BSE filing.

Its revenue from operations was up 93.66% to ₹10,038.07 crore during the quarter under review against ₹5,183.12 crore in the corresponding quarter last fiscal.

According to the Damani family-promoted supermarket chain, its Q1FY23 results are not comparable with the corresponding quarter of the last fiscal, which was impacted by the second wave of Covid-19.

Commenting on the results, Avenue Supermarts CEO & Managing Director Neville Noronha said, "There has been a very good recovery of overall sales. However, this quarter's performance is not comparable to the same period last year due to the second wave of Covid-19 during that time."

Avenue Supermarts' total expenses were at ₹9,191.79 crore, up 81.03% in Q1/FY 2022-23, as against ₹5,077.22 crore of the corresponding quarter.

EXPRESS READ

DHFL scam: Trail takes CBI to underworld's doors

New Delhi: A CBI probe into the country's biggest banking fraud scam allegedly committed by DHFL is looking into the links of certain suspects with the underworld, especially Pakistan-based gangster Chota Shakeel, officials said on Saturday. The central probe agency has found material showing that public funds were diverted to people allegedly linked to Shakeel, they said. PTI

Widening CAD amid rising oil prices growing concern for govt

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE widening current account deficit (CAD) amid geopolitical tensions and surging oil prices has become a growing concern for the Narendra Modi-led government. CAD occurs when the value of goods and services imported and other payments made are more than the value of export of goods and services and other receipts by a country in a particular period. It is an indication that the national savings is lower than the investments.

India's CAD in current fiscal year

Experts are of the view that CAD will exceed 3% of GDP in current fiscal because of rising oil prices, restrictions on exports, recession fears in the US, Europe, Japan and Canada, etc.

Experts say CAD will exceed 3% of GDP in the current fiscal due to rising oil prices, restrictions on exports, recession fears in the US, Europe, Japan and Canada, etc. India's CAD for FY22 expanded to $38.7 billion (1.2% of GDP) as against the surplus of 0.9% in FY21. Though there is scope for CAD to expand up to 3% but beyond that it may get messy for the economy. Higher CAD for an emerging economy like India means debt liability will continue to go up. Elevated debt will raise questions about the country's capacity to repay its borrowings. The resultant rise in debt will heighten worries about meeting the country's developmental goals while also servicing the debt obligation.

"The question we need to ask, how much debt India can sustain over a longer term. This depends upon rate of economic growth. For any country, if the GDP growth is 6% to 6.5% then CAD at 3.5% or more will become unsustainable," said Pronab Sen, former Chief Statistician of India. Meanwhile, the depreciating rupee is adding to the woes of the Centre by putting pressure on CAD and fiscal deficit besides triggering inflation.

"Currently, we are allowing rupee to appreciate, although in a controlled way, and that is necessary. But the problem is as rupee depreciates cost goes up and if there is sufficient pricing power in the market then that cost is also going to pass on, which in turn would make inflation control even more difficult,"Sen added. He further added that the government's immediate focus should be more on containing inflation and balance of payments (BOP) than economic growth. As per the BOP data, value of imported goods in FY22 stood at $618.6 billion as against $398.5 billion in the year-ago period, leading to widening of the trade deficit. Dr. Charan Singh, CEO of EGROW Foundation and former non-executive Chairman of Punjab & Sind Bank, said the currency should be allowed to find its own natural level. "The value of rupee is still artificially held. It should be allowed to depreciate. Depreciated currency is good for exports and good for India," he added.

As per Aditi Nayar, chief economist at ICRA, it will be a challenge before the government to finance CAD if it exceeds 3%. She said if the oil prices persist above $120 per barrel then CAD will surpass 3% mark. Nomura in its report stated the high trade deficit will remain a norm for now. It has made a forecast for CAD at 3.3% in the current fiscal.

How to finance the budget deficit

According to Dr Singh, there are various ways to finance government expenditure.

"To illustrate, rising GST collection is encouraging. Expenditure compression is possible. resources can be raised through disinvestment, and higher dividends from public sector undertakings. Also, the government can resort to additional market borrowings," Singh said.

He further added that the government's National Asset Monetisation pipeline can help too in bridging the deficit.

Business & Beyond

Maha Metro Managing Director Dr Dixit Met and Greeted CM Shri Eknath Shinde

NAGPUR, 7th July: Maha Metro MD Dr Brijesh Dixit met Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shri Eknath Shinde, today at Mumbai and greeted him on assuming the charge of Chief Minister of Maharashtra. Assuring all help, Shri Shinde asked MD to come up with all the issues related to Metro Projects. The Director (SP) Shri Anil Kokate accompanied MD in the meeting with CM. The Chief Minister Shri Eknath Shinde, who earlier held the portfolio of Urban Development Ministry, had been extremely helpful in providing all the necessary support to Maha Metro Projects. All the metro projects of Maha Metro are doing good progress because of him.

Petronet LNG Limited (PLL) achieves milestone by receiving 3000th ship 'Raahi' at Dahej LNG Terminal

Dahej, Gujarat, 7th July 2022:Petronet LNG Limited (PLL) has achieved a major milestone by receiving 3000th LNG shipment at its Dahej LNG Terminal in Gujarat on 7th July 2022. Embarking upon its journey in Jan2004, the Terminalreceived its 100th LNG shipment in Dec 2005, 1000th LNG shipment in February 2013, and 2000th LNG shipment in June 2018, followed by 3000th shipment on 7th July 2022. While it took about 9 years to receive the 1st 1000 Ship, about 5 years to receive next 1000ship, it has taken only about 4 years to reach to the level of 3000. Currently, this terminal handles a combined number of about 260-270 shipments in a year at its two jetties.

Coal minister Sri Pralhad Joshi releases book on Coal India's contribution to fight COVID

Union Coal Minister Shri Pralhad Joshi on Tuesday released the book titled 'Coal India Wins Over Covid'in New Delhi. The book showcases the initiatives taken by national miner Coal India Limited (CIL) and its subsidiaries to help fight unprecedented challenges of global pandemic Covid-19. Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Coal, Dr. Anil Kumar Jain, Additional Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Coal,Shri Vinod Kumar Tiwari, Chairman - CIL Shri Pramod Agrawal, Director (Personnel & IR) - CILShri Vinay Ranjan, Director (Technical) - CILShri B. Veera Reddy and senior officials of the Ministry of Coal & CIL were present on the occasioneither physically or through video conferencing.

Vedanta kick-started the Van Mahotsav Week' 22

Jharsuguda,03 July:Vedanta Limited, Jharsuguda kick-started the Van Mahotsav Week' 22 celebrations with a painting competition for kids on the theme - Conservation of our forests organised at Vedanta Meadows township. Ashish Shukla, recipient of Biju Patnaik Wildlife Award by Govt. of Odisha and and member of Jharsuguda's Bird Watchers Group graced the occasion along with Ashwin Chand Head PR & Communications- Vedanta Jharsuguda. The environmentalists elucidated about the importance of trees in our lives and the need to nurture a green ecosystem. Winners of the painting competition were felicitated and saplings were handed over to the participants.

Government of India confers First prize on SJVN in Swachhta Pakhwada Award 2022

Shimla: 27th June 2022 Sh. Nand Lal Sharma, Chairman & Managing Director, SJVN today informed that SJVN has bagged 1st position in Swachhta Pakhwada Award 2022. The Award is conferred by Ministry of Power to the CPSUs for their outstanding contribution to the country-wide campaign Swachh Bharat Abhiyan initiated by Government of India. The Award will be presented by Sh. Alok Kumar, Secretary (Power) in a ceremony on 30th June 2022. Congratulating the employees, Sh. Nand Lal Sharma said "Swachhta Pakhwada Awards are given to the organizations carrying out varied exemplary initiatives to propagate the message of swachhta amongst masses."

Prannoy bows out of Malaysia Masters

KUALA LAMPUR: HS Prannoy's rampaging run at the Malaysia Masters Super 500 tournament hit a roadblock as he slipped to a narrow three-game loss (21-17, 9-21, 17-21) against Hong Kong's NG Ka Long Angus in a mistake-filled men's singles semifinal here on Saturday.

Old boys return to clinch series

VENKATA KRISHNA B @Chennai

LET'S keep aside the result for a moment. In the larger context ie the T20 World Cup, an away series win against England is a major shot in the arm. But there was more to it than the result alone. Despite benching Ishan Kishan and Deepak Hooda, and fielding a near full-strength XI, it was refreshing to see India do everything they could to maintain their new-found aggressive approach.

The role clarity that they desperately missed for long in T20Is was nowhere to be seen in Edgbaston.

With Virat Kohli back in the mix, the visitors were bound to make changes and more than at whose expense, the big question was at what cost? In the absence of what you call white-ball regulars, India have fielded a completely different T20 side in recent months. More importantly, they were now playing T20 cricket, the way it was supposed to be played – where strike-rates mattered more than the deliveries faced.

In a format where teams consider having even one anchor a batter, India have had three in their top three – all of whom prefer taking time before teeing-off. On Saturday with Kohli and Rishabh Pant coming back, India benched Deepak Hooda and Ishan Kishan. And instead of clubbing Rohit and Kohli at the top together, India sent Pant to open with the Indian captain. Apart from keeping a left-right duo at the top, it also gave India a more aggressive batter to make use of the powerplay. And it also kept Kohli at No 3, giving him a clear clarity of what his role is.

Ravindra Jadeja in action on Saturday | AP

After England opted to bowl, India didn't waste any time to show their intentions. Rohit and Pant made the most out of the powerplay as India raced to 61/1. Although debutant Richard Gleeson accounted for Rohit, Pant and Kohli in his first two overs to slow down India's run-rate, and Suryakumar Yadav and Hardik Pandya also perished by the 11th over to leave India reeling at 89/5, they didn't shelve their approach.

Ravindra Jadeja and Dinesh Karthik weren't shy of looking for boundaries. And with the help of Harshal Patel, India managed 81 off the last nine overs to finish with 170/8. Ravindra Jadeja remained unbeaten on 46 off 29 balls. And as was the case in the first match, Bhuvneshwar Kumar did all the damage with the new ball and Jasprit Bumrah did his part to reduce England to 21/3 as Jason Roy, Jos Buttler and Liam Livingstone were all back in the hut. And from there on, India didn't allow England to get away from their stranglehold. **Brief scores:** India 170/8 in 20 ovs (Jadeja 46 n.o; Jordan 4/27, Gleeson 3/15) **bt** England 121 all out in 17 ovs (Moeen 35, Bhuvneshwar 3/15).

Fully prepared Sharath eyes to better his record at CWG

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

World No 38 and current national table tennis champion A Sharath Kamal is keen to do well in the upcoming Commonwealth Games that is scheduled to be held this month end in England. He is keen to perform better than what he did last time and has flown all the way to Hungary to play in a couple of tournaments as part of his preparations.

Speaking to this daily from Budapest, Sharath insists that he has began preparing for the games from December 2021. Excerpts...

On being a part of the Indian contingent

CWG is a very prestigious tournament after the Olympic Games where we play for Team India .Representing India in these multi-sport events has different feeling compared to a world championships. It's a proud moment to represent the country at the CWG. My first CWG was in Melbourne 2006 where I won 2 gold medals (1 in singles and 1 in team) and it is always special for me.

On his chances this year

This time we have a strong team where I hope to defend the gold medal (team event). In men's doubles last time, partnering G Sathiyan, we won the silver medal and I hope we can win the gold this time. In singles, I will be seeded 4 where I stand a chance for another medal.

On the team to beat

England will be a strong team to beat and we are equally poised, while Nigeria and Singapore are also good teams too. But we should be able to beat them.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

RYBAKINA DRIVES JABEUR

Russian-born Kazakh rallies to beat Tunisian 3-6, 6-2, 6-2 to make history for first Grand Slam title

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

IN 2018, Elena Rybakina had a few options staring at her. More than a dozen US universities had given her scholarships to come and study there. Her father wanted her to go and study there. The US Collegiate system is well known for producing tennis players so her tennis would also improve. At that point of time, she was a Russian but she wasn't getting the adequate support. She was travelling alone and there were no full-time coaches. She was one of many young and upcoming players within Russia, in danger of being lost (she was World No 425 in November 2017).

That's when the Kazakhstan Tennis Federation sensed an opportunity. They had already been down this route with moderate success — they had already recruited Russian born men's players, Mikhail Kukushkin and Alexander Bublik, and women Yulia Putintseva among others — before. Bulat Utemuratov, the head of the KTF, who has a vast personal fortune, made the call to her in the middle of 2018. And Rybakina took the well-trodden path. She could finally afford a team and, more importantly, the people around her believed in her.

Four years later, at a sun-kissed Wimbledon on Saturday, Rybakina paid back in interest with a maiden Major for one of the last countries that broke away from the Soviet Union. Utemuratov was on hand at SW19 to celebrate one of Kazakhstan's best ever sporting moments.

After being very off radar in the first set against Ons Jabeur, the Tunisian who became the first African woman to feature in the final of the Open Era, she recalibrated to lift the famous Venus Rosewater Dish 3-6, 6-2, 6-2. Full story: newindianexpress.com

KYRGIOS WELL RESTED

Kyrgios hasn't played since his quarterfinal on Wednesday. There's two ways to see it: he's either had enough time to rehab or he may have lost some of the rhythm that's been present throughout the two weeks.

LIVE FROM 6.30 PM

1 — This is Kyrgios' maiden appearance at a Major final

6-1 — The Serb has lost only one Wimbledon final (2013, Andy Murray) and has won his last five finals.

7 — Novak Djokovic will his seventh Wimbledon title on Sunday

2002 — Kyrgios is aiming to become the first Australian men since Lleyton Hewitt to win a Major (Wimbledon in 2002)

THE FINAL TUSSLE

Novak Djokovic has the chance to add a 21st Major but Nick Kyrgios, a first-time finalist, will be a sturdy obstacle. A look...

DJOKOVIC	NAME	KYRGIOS
35	AGE	27
SERBIA	NATIONALITY	AUSTRALIA
3	RANKING	40
20	MAJORS	0
0	H2H	2

NO LOVE LOST

The Serb has said the match would provide some 'fireworks' and don't be surprised if it's right. These two players have seldom looked eye to eye even though there has been a thaw in the relationship off late. Following Djokovic's visa visues and subsequent deportation, Kyrgios was one of the very few who took the Serb's side.

DJOKOVIC'S RETURNS VS. KYRGIOS' SERVES

The match could well come down to this one singular contest. It is perhaps a very simplistic take but it's also true. The Australian not only possesses a big serve but he rattles through his service games in under a minute. Djokovic is an elite returner and if he can break that rhythm nice and early, that will be a significant blow.

We are still alive, says skipper Savita

AGENCIES @Terrassa

INDIA women's hockey captain Savita has said that while the pool matches might not have gone in the side's favour in the FIH Women's Hockey World Cup, the fact that the team was still alive in the competition was all that mattered right now.

After finishing third in Pool B, the India team will take on hosts Spain in the crossover match on Sunday.

On the eve of the do-or-die match, Savita said, "We are still in contention and will give our everything to qualify for the quarterfinals."

EXPRESS READ

Man arrested for racism allegations in Edbgaston

BIRMINGHAM: Birmingham Police have arrested a man for "racially aggravated public order offence", following allegations of racist abuse aimed at Indian fans during the rescheduled fifth Test between India and England at Edgbaston. The man, who is in his early thirties, has been taken into custody for questioning.

Neha bag top honours in Hyderabad Sailing Week

HYDERABAD: Neha Thakur of National Sailing School, Bhopal won the first place om ILCA 4 girls category in the 36th Edition of Hyderabad Sailing Week. B Kiran kumar won in ILCA 4 boys category while Capt Manu and Mohit Saini, and Akshay Vincent won in ILCA 6 women, ILCA 7 and ILCA Open categories, respectively.

Sri Lanka fights back in 2nd Test against Australia

GALLE: A record 152-run stand for the second wicket between captain Dimuth Karunaratne and Kusal Mendis helped Sri Lanka fight back in the second Test against Australia as the hosts finished day two on 184 for two on Saturday. Earlier, Australia was all out for 364, with Prabath Jayasuriya picking up six wickets. **Brief scores**: Australia 364 all out in 110 ovs (Smith 145, Labuschagne 104; Jayasuriya 6/118) vs Sri Lanka 184/2 in 63 ovs.

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Bank of Baroda,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **e-action website https://www.mstcecommerce.com "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date &am/pm; Time ,EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Sr/Lot No.	Name & address of Borrower/s /Guarantor/ s/ Mortgagor (s)	Detailed description of the immovable properties with known encumbrances, if any	Branch Name/Total Dues.	Date & Time of E-auction	Reserve Price, EMD amount, Bid Increase Amount. EMD Submitting A/c Details	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & Time
1	**M/s. Bimban Industries Private Limited,** Regd. Office:No.22, Biplab Rash Behari Bose Road (Canning Street), 4th Floor, Room No.41, Kolkata-700001. **Administrative Office:** No.38, AECS Layout, 2nd Main, Sanjaynagar, Bangalore-560094. **Represented by its Directors: (Directors & Guarantor) 1) Mrs. Sujata Generiwala** #101, Sunder Enclave, 5th Main Road, 14th Cross, HIG Colony, RMV 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560094. **(Director & Guarantor) (2) Mr. Shwtank Generiwala,** #301, Nidri Building, No.30 Raja Santhosh Road, Alipore Kolkata-700027. **3) Mr. Srinivas N,** #24-1, Salarpuradamma, Extn. Sunkadakatte, Bangalore-560091. (Gaurantor) **(4) Mr. Jayaram N,** # No.21/1,14th Cross, Hegganahalli Main Road, Sallarpuradamma Extn. Sunkadakatte, Bangalore-560091.	**Property-1:** Mortgage of all that piece and parcel of the immovable property situated at Northern Portion of the property bearing No.4, Assessment No.2, measuring East to West 100 ft and North to South 100 feet totally measuring 10,000 sq ft situated at Srigandhada Kaval Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. The said property is standing in the name of Mr. N. Srinivas, and bounded on the On the East by: Property belonging to Mr.Shivakumar, On the West by: Property belonging to Mr. N. Hanumantha, On the North by: Road, On the South by: Property belonging to Mr. Jayaram, **Property-2:** Mortgage of all that piece and parcel of the immovable property situated at Southern Portion of the property bearing No.4, Assessment No.2, measuring East to West 100 ft and North to South 50 feet totally measuring 5,000 Sq, ft situated at Srigandhada Kaval Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. The said property is standing in the name of Mr.Jayaram, and bounded on the On the East by: Property belonging to Mr.Shivakumar On the West by: Property belonging to Mr.Kamalesh and N Hanumantha, On the North by: Property belonging to Mr. N. Srinivas ,On the South by: Road.	K.G.Road Branch Phone: .22268106 Email: bangal@bankofbaroda.com Rs. 3,91,59,293.78 /- as on date 06/07/2022 plus interest from 30/05/2020 and cost and other charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 5,15,16,000/- EMD Amount: Rs.51,51,600/- BID Increase Amount: Rs.25,000/-	Physical	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
2	**(1). M/s. Sree Saradhee Enterprises, Prop: Mr. D. Parthasarathy,** No. 117/2, Sy. No. 93 and 94, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(2). Mr. D Parthasarathy, Prop: M/s. Sree Saradhee Enterprises,** No. 514, 1st Main, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(3). Mrs. Sujatha Parthasarathy,** W/o. Mr. D. Parthasarathy, No. 514, 1st Main, Rajgopal Nagar Main Road, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore – 560058 **(4). Mr. D Ramesh,** No. 174, Manukyamma Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Laggere, Rajgopal Nagar, Bangalore - 560058	**SCHEDULE A:** Immovable property No. 52, Khatha No. 130, Assessment No. 9/1 of Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore, 1st Main, Now 2nd and 3rd Main Road, Kaveri Nagar, Kempanna Layout, Laggere, Bangalore – 560058, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet East by: Site No. 51, West by: Site No. 53, North by: Road, South by: Site No. 54 **SCHEDULE B:** Immovable Property No. 54, Khatha No. 290, Assessment No. 9/1 of Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore, 1st Main, Now 2nd and 3rd Main Road, Kaveri Nagar Main Road, Kaveri Nagar, Kempanna Layout, Laggere, Bangalore – 560058. Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet East by: Site No. 55, West by: C A Site, North by: Site No. 52, South by: Road	K.G. Road Branch Phone: .22268106 Email: bangal@bankofbaroda.com Rs. 1,79,93,891.89 as on 06.07.2022 Plus interest from and cost and other charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs. 160,38,000 /- EMD: Rs.16,03,800/- Bid Increment Amount: Rs.25,000/-	Constructive	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
3	**Smt. Shantha W/o Dayanand S K, Proprietor: M/s Cauvery Steel Traders, #** 101, Opp. To Petrol Bunk, Magadi Main Road, Byadarahalli, Bangalore 560091 (Borrower), **1. Sri Dayananda S K s/o Krishnappa and 2. Vinay Kumar D s/o Dayanand S K #** 101, Opp. To Petrol Bunk, Magadi Main Road, Byadarahalli, Bangalore 560091 (Guarantors)	**Property No 1:** All that piece and parcel of Northern Portion of property bearing Site No. 110, New Khatha No. 752, Assessment No. 147/3, 147/11 and 147/3, situated at Herohali Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk presently comes within the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike having BBMP Khatha No. 110 in ward no. 72, measuring 1400 sq. ft. together with building constructed thereon, and bounded as follows: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No. 111, South by: Remaining portion of the same property no. 110 admeasuring 1400 sq. ft. standing in the name Smt. Shantha W/o: Dayanand S K **Property No 2:** All that part and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 7, Khatha No. 134, Assessment no. 149, situated at Herohalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, PID no. 072-W0321-13, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet totally measuring 1200 sq. ft together with building constructed thereon and boundaries as follows: East: Site No. 4, West: Road, North: Site No. 6, South: Site No. 8.	Branch Name: Basaveshwaranagar Branch Email id: VJBASA@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs 3,06,05,538.18 (Rupees Three Crore Six Lakhs Five Thousand, Five Hundred Thirty Eight and Eighteen paisa only) as per Possession Notice dt. 25.11.2019 plus further interest and charges.	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Property No 1 Reserve Price: Rs.86,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs. 8,60,000/- BID Increase Amount: Rs.50,000/- Property No 2 Reserve Price: Rs.76,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs. 7,60,000/- BID Increase Amount: Rs. 50,000/-	Physical	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer
4	**1) M/s TAURUS PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS INC, PROP: Mr. T S SOUNDRARAJAN** #16, 1st floor 2nd cross, Krishna Reddy colony, Domlur layout Bangalore -560071. **2) Mr. S RAGHAVAN** No 142, 7th cross, 3rd main, Talacauvery Layout Basavanagar, Bangalore -560037	All that piece and parcel of the property in sy no 218/1, Situated in Kodihalli Village, Varthur hobli, HAS Board Area, Bangalore South Taluk, known as NO 616, New No 20, (PID No 74-92-20), Link Road, kodihalli Bangalore 560008 BBMP Ward No 74 and (New PID 088 -W0006-13) Property is in the name of T S Soundrarajan S/o Sri S Sheshadri. Total admeasuring 2200 sq. ft., East to west – 53 ft. North to South – 43 ft.+40ft./2, Bounded By: East : 15 ft Wide Road, West : Kullanna's Land North :Drain & Road, South : Choudri's Land	Branch Name: Overseas Branch Email id: VJOBAN@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs 82,47,054.74 (Rupees Eighty Two Lacs Forty Seven thousand Fifty Four And Paise Seventy four only), plus interest from 01.07.2021 plus applicable charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Rs.2,64,00,000/- EMD 10% i.e. 26,40,000/- BID increase amount by Rs 1.00 lac	Physical	With prior appointment from the Authorised Officer M - 7897366366
5	**(1) Sri Sreedhar B J** S/o Jayaramu (Borrower), Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School, Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059 **(2) Jayaramu** s/o Puttegowda (Guarantor), Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A, 4th Main, Valagerahalli, Byrava Nagar, South side of Gnanabodhini High School, Dubasipalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore 560059	Property bearing Site No 1/A, BBMP Khatha No 46/2/1A,4th Main, Byrava Nagar, Dubasipalya, Valagerahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Tq, Bangalore Extent East to West 25 ft, North to South 30 ft. Total 750 sq ft, East: Road, West: Property 6/A, North: BDA Property, South: Property of Lakshmana Gowda.	Branch Name: Mayohall Branch Email id: vjmayo@bankofbaroda.com Rs 56,07,699/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Seven thousand Six hundred and Ninty Nine only) plus interest & other charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs 53,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs 5,30,000/- BID Increase Amount: Rs 50,000/-	Physical	14.07.2022 between 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM 080-25594873 M: +91-9880002956
6	**(1) Mr. Vijay Kumar K G** S/o. K N Gangadhar, No. 141, 2nd Floor, 9th Cross, 2nd Main, 1st Block, BEL Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097. **(2) Mrs. Swapna** W/o. Vijay Kumar K G, No. 141, 2nd Floor, 9th Cross, 2nd Main, 1st Block, BEL Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097. **(3) Mr. Prashanth M S** S/o. Mr. Srinivas Mahadikar, Ground Floor, Block 1, No. 09, Prestige Blue Chip, Hosur Road, Bangalore – 560029. **(4) Mr. Vishal Raj** S/o. Devarajan, Flat No. 19, Sri Dev Residency, 4th Cross, Chowdaiah Block, R T Nagar, Near Siddartha Public School, Bangalore - 560032	**Schedule A:** Property bearing No. 02, Assessment No. 84/1, Khatha No. 1785, Municipal No. 54, Present Bangalore Mahanagara Palike vide BMP PID No. 96-49-54, Manjunatha Layout Main Road, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. Measuring East to West 72 Feet and North to South 40 Feet and bounded on East by: Private Property, West by: 25 Feet Road, North by: Property No. 3-4&5, South by: Property No. 01 **Schedule B:** All the part and parcel Mortgage of property No. Flat No. T-2, 3 BHK, 3rd Floor in apartment 'Raghavendra Gate Way', PID No. 96-49-54/9, measuring 1590 Sq. Ft with an undivided share of 360 Sq. Ft of right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' property with one covered car parking space in the basement, situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Manjunatha Layout Main Road, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore.	Branch Name : Brigade Road Branch Email id :brigad@bankofbaroda.co.in Rs: 46,84,459.77 (Forth Six Lakhs Eighty Four Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Nine paise Seventy Seven Only) as on 06.07.2022 plus interest from 30.06.2022 and cost and other charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs 65,00,000/- EMD Amount: Rs 6,50,000/- BID Increase Amount: Rs 25,000/-	Physical	With prior appointment from the Authorised Officer
7	**(1) M/s. Dr. Shetty's Medical & Aesthetic Solutions Pvt Ltd.,** "Prestige Delta", 1st Floor, No.74, St. Marks Road, Residency Road, Bangalore-560001. **Guarantors: (2) Mr. Kamalakar Shetty,** No.1A, Nitesh Mayfair, 31/1, Kasturba Road Cross, Near British library, Lavelle Road, Bangalore-560001. Also at: C-6, 1st Floor, Devatha Plaza, Residency Road, Bangalore-560025. **(3) Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Shetty,** No.1A, Nitesh Mayfair, 31/1, Kasturba Road Cross, Near British library, Lavelle Road, Bangalore-560001. Also at: C-6, 1st Floor, Devatha Plaza, Residency Road, Bangalore-560025. **(4) Mr. Aditya Shetty,** No.1A, Nitesh Mayfair, 31/1, Kasturba Road Cross, Near British library, Lavelle Road, Bangalore. Also at: C-6, 1st Floor, Devatha Plaza, Residency Road, Bangalore-560025.	All that piece and parcel of the Property MDTD of Immovable Residential; Property bearing Site No. F-52, In "EAGLETON-THE GOLF VILLAGE", and bearing Katha No.426/F-52 Situated in various Survay Numbers of Billakempanahalli, Shyanmangala and Banandur Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagar Tauk. Measuring East to West 45 et and North to South 60 feet, totally measuring area 2700 Sq feet. Property belonging to Dr. K Kamalakar Shetty, And Bounded by:- On the East by: Road, West by: Site No.F-61, North by: C.A Park, South by: Site No.F-51	Branch Name : Residency Road Branch Email id : vjresi@bankofbaroda.com Rs 67,80,494.85/- as on 30.06.2022 plus interest from 01.12.2021 and cost and other charges	28/07/2022 and From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM	Reserve Price: Rs 80,19,000/- EMD Amount: Rs 8,01,900/- BID Increase Amount: Rs 25,000/-	Physical	With prior appointment from the Authorised Officer

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Date: 06.07.2022, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda**

Macau on Saturday announced a weeklong shutdown of its casinos and non-essential businesses as the Chinese gambling hub confronted its worst coronavirus outbreak yet

With more than 2,600 other creatures ranging from tarantulas to boa constrictors, the diminutive, red-eyed amphibian is being primed for a long journey from Nicaragua to the United States

EU'S PLAN MAY FOIL CLIMATE PROGRESS

ENERGY

The European Union's plan to include natural gas in a list of activities considered sustainable could derail its progress in reducing greenhouse gas emissions at a time when climate scientists are calling for dramatic reductions to planet-warming releases.

The plan, approved Wednesday by European lawmakers, will allow investment in natural gas infrastructure such as natural gas power plants and liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals to be considered green investments under certain conditions. Natural gas is a fossil fuel that causes warming of the Earth when it is burned and even more warming when it leaks out unburned.

It comes at a time when the continent is struggling to maintain a reliable gas supply and consumers are suffering from painfully high energy prices. Russia, which supplied about 40% of the EU's gas before it invaded Ukraine, has reduced the flow of gas to Europe and could make even more draconian cuts, and nations throughout Europe have been scrambling for alternatives to Russian energy.

"This...makes sense only as a death knell for coal," said Rob Jackson, professor of earth system science at Stanford University. "Otherwise, it's baffling. We're approaching 8 billion tons of carbon dioxide pollution a year from gas use alone, and that can't continue."

The European Union has a binding commitment to cut greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030 and to reach climate neutrality by 2050. And while Europe is working on transitioning to renewable sources such as wind and solar, it doesn't have enough power lines in place to carry electricity from sunny solar farms and wind-fired turbines. Natural gas has been promoted as a "bridge fuel" because in a side-by-side comparison of power plants, natural gas produces less carbon dioxide when burned than coal.

FACT OF THE MATTER

OLDEST EUROPEAN HUMAN FOSSIL FOUND

ARCHAEOLOGY

A jawbone fragment discovered in northern Spain last month could be the oldest known fossil of a human ancestor found to date in Europe, Spanish paleontologists said Friday. The researchers said the fossil found at an archaeological site on June 30 in northern Spain's Atapuerca mountain range is around 1.4 million years old. Until now, the oldest hominid fossil found in Europe was a jawbone found at the same site in 2007 which was determined to be 1.2 million years old. Atapuerca contains one of the richest records of prehistoric human occupation in Europe. Researchers will now have to "complete" their first estimate for the age of the jawbone fragment using scientific dating techniques, palaeoanthropologist Jose-Maria Bermudez de Castro, the co-director of the Atapuerca research project, said during a news conference.

NHTSA to investigate Tesla crash that killed 2

37 crashes involving automated driving systems are being probed

AUTOMOBILES

DETROIT: The US government's auto safety watchdog is sending investigators to another Tesla crash, this time one that killed two people along Interstate 75 in Florida.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration confirmed Friday that it sent a Special Crash Investigations team to probe the Wednesday crash into the back of a semi-trailer at a rest area near Gainesville. The agency would not say if the Tesla was operating on one of the company's partially automated driving systems.

The 2015 model year Tesla was traveling on Interstate 75 about 2 pm Wednesday when, for an unknown reason, it exited into a rest area.

It then went into the parking lot and hit the back of a parked Walmart Freightliner tractor-trailer, the Florida Highway Patrol said in a release. The driver and passenger, both from Lompoc, California, were pronounced dead at the scene.

File Photo: Tesla logo is seen in Salt Lake City. | AP

Highway Patrol Lt PV Riordan said Friday night in an email that his agency will determine whether any partially automated features were in use. "That is a consideration that will be explored during our investigation," he said.

A message was left Friday seeking comment from Austin, Texas-based Tesla.

NHTSA is investigating 37 crashes involving automated driving systems since 2016. Of those, 30 involved Teslas, including 11 fatal crashes that have killed a total of 15 people.

The agency also said in documents that it's investigating a fatal pedestrian crash in California involving a Tesla Model 3 that happened this month.

It also sent a team to probe a Cruise automated vehicle crash in California that caused a minor injury in June.

NHTSA also has been investigating Teslas on Autopilot crashing into parked emergency vehicles. In a separate probe, the agency is looking at Teslas on Autopilot braking for no apparent reason.

Last week, newly confirmed NHTSA Administrator Steven Cliff told *The Associated Press* that the agency is intensifying efforts to understand the risks posed by automated vehicle technology so it can decide what regulations may be necessary to protect drivers, passengers and pedestrians.

He also says automated systems such as automatic emergency braking have huge potential to save lives. In June, NHTSA released data from automakers and tech companies showing nearly 400 crashes over a 10-month period involving vehicles with partially automated driver-assist systems, including 273 with Teslas.

EXAMINING ACCIDENTS

The agency cautioned against using the numbers to compare automakers, saying it didn't weight them by the number of vehicles from each manufacturer that use the systems, or how many miles those vehicles traveled.Automakers reported crashes from July of last year through May 15 under an order from the agency, which is examining such crashes broadly for the first time. Tesla's crashes happened while vehicles were using Autopilot, "Full Self-Driving," Traffic Aware Cruise Control, or other driver-assist systems that have some control over speed and steering. The company has about 830,000 vehicles with the systems on the road. The next closest of a dozen automakers that reported crashes was Honda, with 90. Honda says it has about 6 million vehicles on US roads with such systems. Tesla's crash number may appear elevated somewhat because it uses telematics to monitor its vehicles.

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Date: 08/07/2022, Sd/- Zonal Manager
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ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಮರು ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಕಂ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಹಾಗೂ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಆದ್ಯಾದೇಶ 1999-2000ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಆಕ್ಟ್ 2000ರ ನಿಯಮದಂತೆ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್‌ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್‌ನ ಸೂಕ್ತ ಕೆ/ಸಿ. ನಿಯಮದನ್ವಯ ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್, ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಹಾಗೂ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಸ್ಪರ್ಧಾತ್ಮಕ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕೆಳಗೆ ಸಹಿ ಮಾಡಿರುವವರು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ವಿವಿಧ ಮಳಿಗೆಗಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸುವವರು ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಕರೆದಿರುವ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಹಕ್ಕುಬಾದ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನು 2022-23 ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್, ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಕಂ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಿಗಧಿತ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಪಾವತಿಸಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುವಂತೆ (Technical Qualificaion Criteria) ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಅಗತ್ಯ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಯನ್ನು ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ಯಾವುದಾದರೊಂದು ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾವತಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:08225-272128 ಹಾಗೂ ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್.ನಾಗರಾಜು, ದ್ವಿ.ದ.ಸ.ರವರ ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ನಂ.9480065393 ರವರಿಂದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ	ಮಳಿಗೆಗಳ ವಿವರ	ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ಅವಧಿ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
1	ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಮಾಸ್ಟರ್‌ಪ್ಲಾನ್ ಆವರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಾಥಮಿಕ ಆರೋಗ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರದ ಎದುರುಗಡೆ ಹೊಸದಾಗಿ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸಿರುವ ಪಾರ್ಕಿಂಗ್ ಯಾರ್ಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಹನ ನಿಲುಗಡೆ ಶುಲ್ಕ ವಸೂಲಾತಿಯ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನು 2022-23ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಇ-ಹರಾಜು/ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ. (ದಿನಾಂಕ:01-08-2022 ರಿಂದ 31-07-2023 ರವರೆಗೆ)	1 ವರ್ಷ	15.00	30,000-00
2	ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಮೂಡಲ ಮಲೆ ವಾಣಿಜ್ಯ ಸಂಕೀರ್ಣದ ಮುಂಭಾಗದ (ಪಾಲಾರ್ ರಸ್ತೆ) ಹಾಗೂ ನೀರು ಶುದ್ಧೀಕರಣ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ (W.T.P) ಎದುರುಗಡೆ ಇರುವ ಪಾರ್ಕಿಂಗ್ ಯಾರ್ಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಹನ ನಿಲುಗಡೆ ಶುಲ್ಕ ವಸೂಲಾತಿಯ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನು 2022-23ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಇ-ಹರಾಜು/ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ. (ದಿನಾಂಕ:01-08-2022 ರಿಂದ 31-07-2023 ರವರೆಗೆ)	1 ವರ್ಷ	15.00	30,000-00
3	ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಮಾಸ್ಟರ್‌ಪ್ಲಾನ್ ಆವರಣಕ್ಕೆ ಕೊಳ್ಳೇಗಾಲ ಮತ್ತು ಪಾಲಾರ್ ಕಡೆಗಳಿಂದ ಬರುವ ವಾಹನಗಳಿಗೆ ವಾಹನ ಪ್ರವೇಶ ಶುಲ್ಕ ವಸೂಲಾತಿಯ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನು 2022-23ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಇ-ಹರಾಜು/ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ. (ದಿನಾಂಕ:01-08-2022 ರಿಂದ 31-07-2023 ರವರೆಗೆ)	1 ವರ್ಷ	100.00	1,00,000-00
4	ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇರಿದ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಕಡೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂದರೆ ಸಂಕಮ್ಮ ನಿಲಯ ರಸ್ತೆಯ ಆವರಣ, ಡಿ-ಮಾದರಿ ಕುಡಿಕ ಎದುರು, ಅಂತರಗಂಗೆ ತಂಗುದಾನ, ರಂಗಮಂದಿರದ ಒಳಾವರಣ, ಭಕ್ತಾಧಿಗಳಿಗೆ ರಾತ್ರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಲಗಲು ಚಾಪೆ, ರಗ್ಗು, ದಿಂಬುಗಳನ್ನು ಬಾಡಿಗೆ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಶುಲ್ಕ ವಸೂಲು ಮಾಡುವ ಹಕ್ಕು ಬಾಧ್ಯತೆಯನ್ನು 2022-23ನೇ ಸಾಲಿಗೆ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್/ಇ-ಹರಾಜು/ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬಿಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ. (ದಿನಾಂಕ:08-08-2022 ರಿಂದ 07-08-2023 ರವರೆಗೆ)	1 ವರ್ಷ	15.00	30,000-00

ಇ-ಪ್ರಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಡಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ - ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಕಂ ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ.

1.	ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮತ್ತು ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ	05-07-2022	ರ ನಂತರ
2.	ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್, ಇ-ಹರಾಜು, ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ಪೂರ್ವಭಾವಿ ಸಭೆ	14-07-2022	ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ಅಡಳಿತ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಶ್ರೀ ಮ.ಮ.ಕ್ಷೇ.ಅ.ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ.
3.	ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಡೌನ್ ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಮತ್ತು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ	18-07-2022	ಸಂಜೆ 4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ
4.	ಇ-ಹರಾಜಿಗೆ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವವರು ನೊಂದಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ	19-07-2022	ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.00 ರಿಂದ ಮ.4.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ
5.	ಇ-ಹರಾಜು ನಡೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ	20-07-2022	ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.00 ರಿಂದ ಮ.2.00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ ಡೆಲ್ಟಾ ಟೈಂ 05 ನಿಮಿಷ ಮಾತ್ರ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.
6.	ಬಹಿರಂಗ ಹರಾಜು ನಡೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ	21-07-2022	**ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10.00 ರಿಂದ ಮ. 1.00 ಗಂಟೆ ವರೆಗೆ, ಶ್ರೀ ಮ.ಮ.ಕ್ಷೇ.ಅ.ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದ ಆಡಳಿತ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಒಳಾವರಣ, ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ.**
7.	ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ & ಕಾಲ	21-07-2022	ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ. 1.00 ಗಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ

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ಸಹಿ/- ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ
ಶ್ರೀ ಮಲೈ ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಸ್ವಾಮಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ಮಹದೇಶ್ವರಬೆಟ್ಟ.

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E-AUCTION NOTICE

SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ONLINE AUCTION) UNDER RULES 8(6) & (9) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold through e-auction on the following terms & conditions. E auction arranged by the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD through the website www.bankeauctions.com

1.	Name and Address of the Secured Creditor	Canara Bank, Hosur SME Branch 550/1, 1st Floor, Bagalur Road, Hosur, Krishnagiri – 635109 Ph : 04344 – 247177
2.	a) Name and Address of the Borrower	M/s THE UNITED POLYMERS (Borrower) S F NO 29 3 2 ANUMEPALLI, BEGAPALLI ROAD, ZUZUVADI, HOSUR-635109 TAMIL NADU
	b) Name and Address of the Guarantor	1. Mr. LOGANATHAN G T (Partner) S/O THANGAVELU G, NO 277/D 6TH MAIN ROAD, HAL 3RD STAGE T SANDRA, BANGALORE-560075, KARNATAKA
		2. TAMIZHSELVI LOGANATHAN(Partner) W/O LOGANATHAN, NO 277/D,6TH MAIN ROAD, HAL 3RD STAGE, BANGALORE NORTH, NEW THIPPASANDRA, BANGALORE-560075, KARNATAKA
3.	Total liabilities as on 30.06.2022	Rs.3,67,53,284.64/- (Rupees Three Crore Sixty Seven Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Four and Sixty Four Paise only) with further Interest and Charges thereon.
4.	Last Date & Time for receipt of tender documents	22.07.2022 upto 5:00 pm
5.	Address in which the tender document to be submitted	Canara Bank, Hosur SME Branch, 550/1, 1st Floor, Bagalur Road, Hosur, Krishnagiri – 635109 Ph : 04344 – 247177
6.	(a) Date & Time of e- auction	25.07.2022 11:30 am – 12:30 pm (With unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of the sale)
	(b) Portal of e- auction	www.bankeauctions.com
7.	**Details of Property/ies** All that piece and parcel in respect of the residential property bearing municipal No. 277/D, situated at HAL III Stage, Corporation Division Old No.51, New Division No. 67, Ward No. 74 Bangalore, measuring East to West: 9.14 mtrs, North to South: 12.19 mtrs., and bounded on the East by : Site No. 277/E, West by : Site No. 277/C, North by : Site No. 277, South by : Road	
8.	Reserve Price	Rs. 2,25,00,000/- (Rupees Two crores Twenty five lakhs only)
	EMD & last date of deposit of EMD	Rs. 22,50,000 /- (Rupees Twenty Two lakhs fifty thousand Only) & 22.07.2022 upto 5:00 pm

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and to the following conditions

a. The property will be sold in "as is where is and as is what is" basis including encumbrances, if any. There is no encumbrance to the knowledge of the bank.
b. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website www.bankeauctions.com Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
c. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorized Officer, on 21.07.2022 between 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM
d. The property will not be sold below the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
g. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, HOSUR SME Branch, HOSUR OR shall be deposited through RTGS/NEFT/Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, HOSUR SME Branch, A/c No 209272946 IFSC Code: CNRB0004385 on or before 22.07.2022 upto 5:00 pm
e. Intending bidders shall hold a valid digital signature certificate and e-mail address. For details with regard to digital signature please contact the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD, Mr. M. Prabakaran, E-mail: tn@c1india.com, Mobile No. : 07418281709/ 07010067800. Immediately on the same date of payment of the EMD amount the bidders shall approach the said service provider for obtaining digital signature(If not holding a valid digital signature)
h. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before 22.07.2022 upto 5:00 PM, to Canara Bank, HOSUR SME Branch, HOSUR by hand or by email.
(1) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT, acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No.
(2) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount.
(3) Bidders Name. Contact No. Address, E Mail Id.
(4) Bidder's A/c details for online refund of EMD.
f. The intending bidders should register their names at portal M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD, and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD, Mr. M. Prabakaran, E-mail: tn@c1india.com, Mobile No. : 07418281709/ 07010067800.
i. EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them within 2 days of finalization of sale. The EMD shall not carry any interest.
j. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of Rs. 10,000. The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
k. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price within the period stated above, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorised Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again.
l. All charges for conveyance, stamp duty and registration charges etc., as applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
m. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
n. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the e-auction, they can approach concerned Circle office or HOSUR SME branch who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
o. For further details contact Senior Manager, Canara Bank, HOSUR SME Branch (Ph. No 04344-247177 / 9489043626) e-mail id. cb4385@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s C 1 INDIA PVT LTD - Mr. M. Prabakaran, E-mail: tn@c1india.com, Mobile No. : 07418281709/ 07010067800.

Special Instruction/Caution

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Place: Hosur
Date: 08.07.2022

AUTHORISED OFFICER
CANARA BANK.